than they are at home at this season of the year,
The grass seem almost like a flower garden. I think
if you was here you would not wish to return to
the Islands. I thought when I was there it was
pleasant but in my estimation this exceeds them,
the Dr. says that our Station is still better -
Mr. Lee says strawberries are ripe there now,
Sir I have been here I have often wished that
some of our friends could be here to enjoy these
scenes with us, Will you not at some future time
make us a visit? I have often thought of you since I
left you and of the time I have spent under your
hospitable roof. may heaven reward you for your
kindness to me and my associates, Inasmuch as ye
have done it unto the least of these my disciples ye
have done it unto me, are the precious words.
and a Saviours blessing will be theirs. I think I never
enjoyed my health better than at the present since
I left home I have gained 14 pounds of flesh. so
much for travelling. but I am really weary of it. and
shall be glad to find a home be it ever so humble.
Truly in the part year of my life I have been much
reminded that this is not my abiding place but
am only a pilgrim and sojourner here on earth -
oh that I may be so happy when my journey of
life shall be at an end I may safely arrive at my
Fathers house - where I expect to hail all my dear
christian friends with whom I am now parted.

It is this glorious hope alone that enables us to endure privations separations and afflictions, yes it is this that animates us and causes us to press our way forward in the path of duty, yes it is

In hope of an immortal crown
I now the cross sustain
And gladly wander up and down
And smile at toil and pain. - - - -

I presume by this time your reinforcement has arrived and you have greeted your new fellow laborers with joy. May Heaven crown your efforts with much success and may the cause of Christ be much promoted through the instrumentality of your brethren - Dr. Mc.L. has a school here an english teacher is employed and they come in and are instructed in the english language. I admire the plan of introducing our language among them it will save immense labour in translating - I expect to be soon engaged in the work for which I left home and all its endearments. Pray for me my dear friend that I may become a useful member of the mission in instructing the youth in the way of peace and life. Will you not write to me the first opportunity I shall expect to hear from you soon, remember me to all who enquire after me, Say a word to all your domestics for me, and kiss yo

little ones and tell them I have not forgot them
My respects to Mr. Chamberlain, I should like
to write to more of the Sisters but time forbids,
In much love I must subscribe myself yours
in the bonds of Christian union,

Emma Maria Pittman.

Mr. H. P. Chamberlain.

Mrs. Lyn. Chamberlain.
Honolulu
Oahu.

Fort Vancouver May 23 1837.

Dear Mrs Chamberlain,

I am once more safely landed on Terra firma, on the shores of Columbia lovely land. We arrived here on the 17th. had a rough passage on the ocean but a pleasant sail up the river. Our heavenly Father has marked our way with mercy. Blessed be his holy name, he has led us through dangers seen and unseen we encountered three severe gales while on our passage we were obliged to take in all sail and put back, which was unusual for this season of the year. but He who holdeth the reins of universal government directed the wind and waves and we had none at. My heart fills with gratitude to God when I remember his goodness towards me, and I am constrained to cry out "What am I that thou art mindful of me?"

From Dr. Mc. Laughlin the reception we met was warm, we were kindly received in his family and he his highly pleased that so many ladies have come to settle among them. Heaven grant that we may be a blessing to them. Here they seem to enjoy life and have every thing that heart can wish for. Every thing seems to be in a high state of cultivation. The garden is a delightful spot, all kinds of vegetables seem to grow here, there are some young apple trees full of fruit young peach trees are set out, fig trees thrive beautifully grape vines look much better and are more forward here

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I am later apprehensive of writing to you from this place — I know not what to say by way of direction or advice, that would be at all applicable, to wants or condition of my children, as I am entirely in the dark respecting their situation, — —

Most sincerely do I regret that my coming to Hudson should have caused so much care & trouble to yourself and others concerned, — But this neither you nor I could foresee, — I thought I was acting rightly, and doing what was for the best, and I doubt not still but all will be ascertained for the best to all concerned if it is rightly improved, — —

I now feel at liberty to give that I have the fullest confidence that all will be done which can be done for the relief and comfort of my children, and I suppose I need say no more on this subject at present — You will doubtless learn from others that Dr Whitman has returned in safety — Mr. Rose & Saint Sem & some companies came in this season

of this country to have been [illegible]
at present they appear under [illegible]
some of them are refugees [illegible]
and cattle are a great [illegible]

Please give my kind
love to your dear family, [illegible]
the Brothers & Sisters [illegible]
at Rockhampton [illegible]
by the mail [illegible]

Your affectionate [illegible]
J. Davis [illegible]

P.S. I ought to have said that I am
present at Rockhampton [illegible]
attention of Dr Hoskins the surgeon
of the hill, I do expect to [illegible]
favorable [illegible] the probable result
of the present [illegible]
[illegible]

David Leslie
Novr 14 1843
pr Vancouver
Decr 19 1843.

answd

Mentions Whitman

Rec'd from Henry P. Judd
Dec. 5, 1931

Office Oregon Ter.
Oregon City

Copied (1849)

Brother Charlie

Dear Sir

Your disappointment will be partly mine my own when you learn from this that instead of prosecuting my preparations for embarking to the Islands I am called to submit to a lingering confinement, and medical treatment for a malignant tumor supposed to be cancer.

How ten it is we know not what a day may bring forth, — I feel not only disappointed but afflicted, at not being able to come to the assistance & relief of my children (should they be living to require assistance) and also of those who are doubtless burdened with the care of them — but I must wholly abandon the idea at present, and leave the disposal of the case with the wisdom & providence of God, —

I shall make every calculation and preparation for my children's return to this country in the spring, but after I shall say more hereafter as there is

Brother Chamberlain

Dear Sir

I must not inform you that the intelligence which I received from Clarke County the Big Falls was very alleviating to my already stricken heart.

On receiving the information respecting my children, I resolved to embrace the earliest opportunity of coming to the Islands, but I find it impracticable to embark on the Pallas for reasons beyond my control which I need not here mention.

I shall however if my life is spared take passage on the H. B. Company's vessel which will be in the river in a few days, when while I am with relatives me to express my sense of gratitude to Gamble family and to all the kind friends who have extended their sympathy and care to my suffering children.

The messenger is waiting and must close hoping to see you soon

Yours truly David Leslie

Willamette Falls Oct 31 1848

2. And were it even thus, we may
last think it not wrong earthly
prop taken away. It would only make
fully show my dependence on Him
whose mercy never can remove from
those who place humble reliance on
Him.

If He has taken from me my earthly
enjoyments, it is because He has some better
things in store which He designs to give
us soon as I am prepared to receive
them.

Bear all my angry passions then
Let each rebellious sigh
Be silent at His Sovereign Will
And every murmur die

I trust that your Dear fathers &
prayers will not be denied me. My poor
reflection shall when they shall
receive the principal intelligence of this
last bereavement. I must refer you
to other sources for more particulars.

I have hoped to be able to send
some things which have applied for
but the vessel is so full that I can get
nothing onto her. There will be other
opportunities this fall which I hope to
improve.

I have heard nothing from Cahu
since I left, but I think of nothing
for particulars that I wish to say respe
-ting my children shall be ta
-ken in
writing.

I hope you will write by every
opportunity and let me know all
you think will interest.

With much love to your fam
-ily & all enquiring friends I
remain Your truly
David [illegible]

Oakthorp August 12 1848

David Leslie
of Barque
on Sep. 16 1843.
answ.

[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

Brother Chamberlain

Dear Sir

I feel under obligation to address you although I have at present to my but few words,

You will learn how the Lord has been pleased to deal with me & this does behoove me. He had entrusted to my care — while I was trying to make provision for the instruction of a part of my motherless children on a distant Plain their Heavenly Father was pleased to ~~make~~ provide a better home, and a better Plan for those I had left behind me, by removing them to ~~his~~ that home not made with hands eternal in the Heavens —

I feel like one left, smitten stricken of God, and afflicted, —

But I hope not to despise the chastening of the Lord neither to faint when I am rebuked of Him —

I find that I have still some comforts remaining on earth, even among the frail children of time —

2 by Him employed in contributing so bountifully to our wants

I regret that owing to extreme sickness in my family due care was not taken in opening the bundles so as to enable us to acknowledge to all the individuals their respective favours, Beside it is not in my power at present to write to all the friends you will therefore do me the favour to present the complements of Mrs L. & myself accompanied with our gratefull acknowledgements to all the liberal donors who have contributed to our relief

Yours with due respect
D. Leslie

Mr Levi Chamberlain
Wallamette 28 1839

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Yours with due respect
D. Leslie

Mrs Lewis Chamberlain
Albany Oregon 2 9 1859

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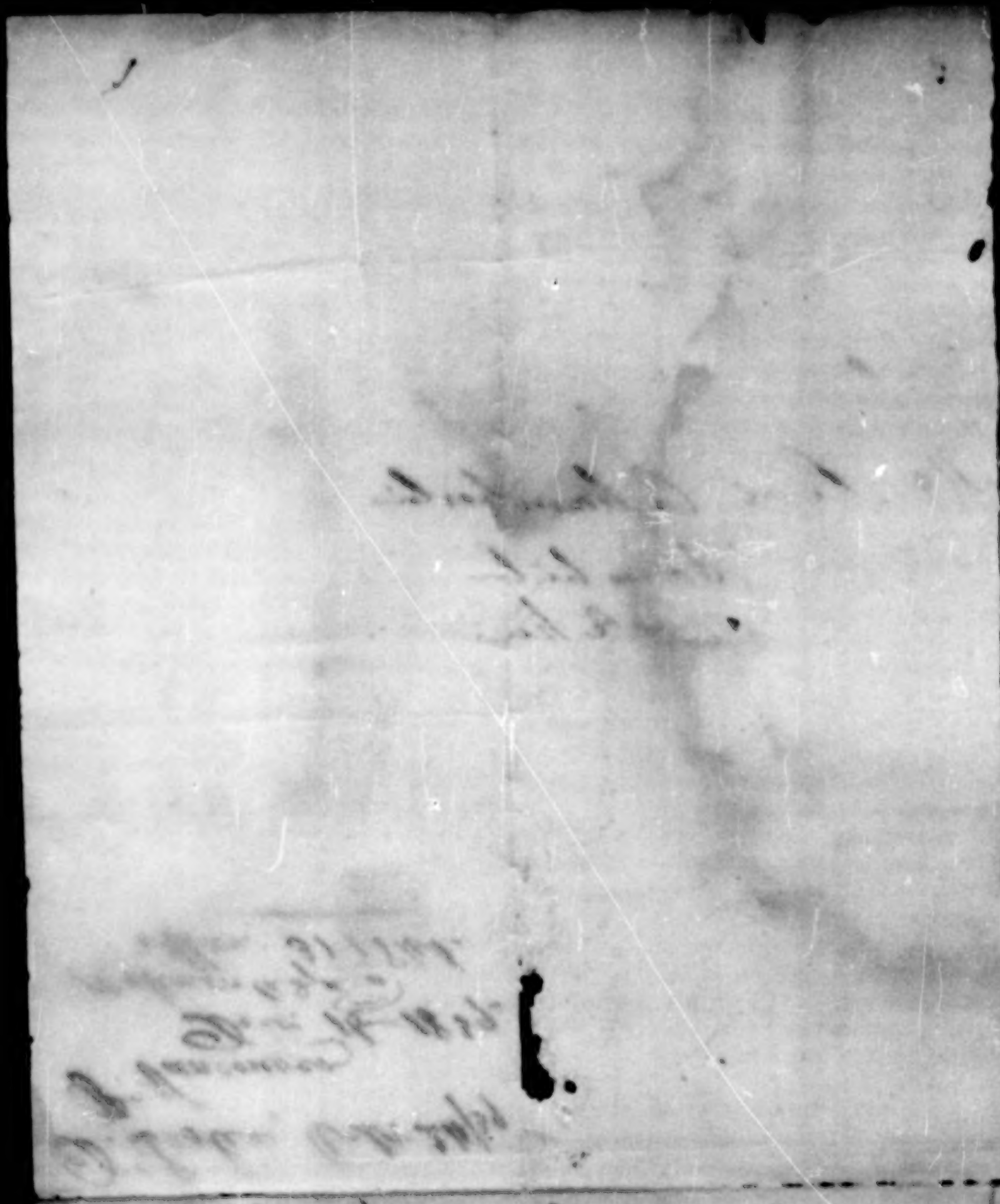
Yours with due respect
D. Leslie

Mrs Lewis Chamberlain
Willamette 29/1859



Mr Levi Chamberlain
Hamburg
Erie Co
N.Y.

Q. Letter. Oct. 24/39

Ans. received 16 1839.

Acknowledged 31 1844.

D. Leslie 1.

Brother Chamberlain

Dear Sir

The boxes containing the fruits of your Christian sympathy & liberality & that of your worthy Brethren have come to hand in excellent order, The articles sent by your kind friends are by us doubly appreciated, They are as exactly adapted to our wants as if we had ordered them; Thanks are but cold expressions of the gratitude we feel, to our Heavenly Father as the author & our friends the instruments by

Danl Lee
Dec 8 1842
for Comfort.

Fort Vancouver
Oct. 22 — 1842

Dear Brethren

The Bearer Mr Daniel Ely is hereby introduced to your kind attentions by your

Obedient Servant
Daniel Lee

Messrs
Rev. H. Bingham
L. Chamberlain
S. R. Judd M D

The catholics, I understand are endeavoring to "make themselves strong" in Hawaii, yes and well they may seeing they contend with the Almighty. 'Tis not a small matter to annihilate Omnipotence. It requires their pretended attribute of "infallibility" to say the least! But thanks be unto our God whose "Word is gone forth to enlighten the nations. This "Sword of the Spirit" they behold unsheathed, gleaming again. And they tremble, because "their craft is in danger." They are well described by our Saviour, "they love darkness rather than light because their deeds are evil;" for every one that doeth the ~~truth cometh to the~~ light but they would bar the light.. I doubt if they are gaining much influence here, as yet. But that they will do all in their power, I am persuaded, not to make Christians but catholics, not to save their souls but to ~~make~~ strengthen their faith. That is their main point, for a catholic cannot be lost! If he should chance to be a bad one, he has only to go through 'purgatory' to heaven! Should his relations chance to be rich, they can beg prayers for him which will help him out the sooner!! So they teach that heaven may be bought for money!

This system has in it no atonement, no Salvation! It is not the "mystery of redemption" but the mystery of perdition! O Lord Jesus come, and destroy it by the "brightness of thy coming"! The yearly meeting of the Methodist Mission convened in May, at the Wallamette Station. We are all in health except Mrs. Lee, who has been quite ill. I should also say that Mrs Whitman is in poor health. We are all well at the Dalles. Our little Son William Fisk, is 4 months old and appears much as your little "Lane" did when I lodged on under your friendly roof. We feel much obliged to Mrs Chandler for her kind remembrance of us. Mrs Lee unites me in kind remembrances to her. Mr Babington has just arrived July 24th. from the interior on his way to the Vincennes at the mouth of the river. I send this by him. May peace be with you

yours Daniel Lee

fr. Oregon Nov. 19/4.

Mr. Levi Chamberlain

Oahu.

Hawaii

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Mr. Dragto
U. S. Navy

Levi Chamberlain
Oahu
July 23 1844
fr Oregon
Nov 19/44
Answ Feb 18 1845.

Dalls July 23 1841

My Dear Brother

Chamberlain I have now the pleasure of answering your very welcome favor of March 29th which came safe to hand on the first inst. I am much gratified to learn that your health has so far improved. I hope, before this, you are enjoying it still better. The accession of Mr. Hall to your department must lighten the burden of your office, a burden which you carried too long alone, a little longer, and you will have been the tenant of premature grave. I think Brother, you will not continue long. I ask the continuance of your kind letters so long as you shall find it agreeable to write to me. Although separated by five long years I feel we still are one in spirit, in friendship one. So that we may say, with some qualification,

Our aims, our hopes, our joys, are one,
Our comfort, and our cares!

The time is rolling on when your disciples shall be dispersed. May you endure to the end. The dark valley and the shadow of death shall be lighted round about you! Amen! Even so, Come, Lord Jesus!

2. You will see by the [illegible] before long. The "Beast" has [illegible] is then can be no doubt about making "[illegible]" all his power among [illegible] whom he may, and how many he will [illegible] is known only to him who has the [illegible] the keys of hell and death. Yet for all this we are taught to be bold, and courageous, and stand firm at our post, for we are assured that no weapon formed against us shall prosper. The serpent will, nevertheless, raise his seed, and they will, as they have done, persecute the "seed of the woman" until the time appointed to "bruise the serpent's head". Then shall the seat of the "Beast" be taken away. He shall be cast to hand his victims or to "cast out the saints of the Most High". The Lord hasten the day! Some think it is even now "night at hand" but this is bare conjecture. Since God hath hidden it from us, the church has had a long respite, and who can tell us that she is not yet, and we long to have intimation, to endure as in past ages, "a great fight of afflictions". The ancient empire and seat of the "Beast" is trembling to its very base, even unto hell and through alarm we behold him fleeing to and the "four winds of heaven" for a place of safety, for he sees that his hour is at hand. But the storm cut

[illegible] Mountain [illegible] hands will likely smile his [illegible] [illegible] Comm. [illegible] come not yet!

[illegible] perhaps heard of our marriage [illegible] one of the last conferences to our surprise we were [illegible] on the 11th of last month [illegible] Mr. Walton has [illegible] Mr. Clark [illegible] with Dr. Richard [illegible] with the [illegible] Mr. Hines is stationed [illegible] at the Hollingsworth station. Nearly all the [illegible] have been sick but all are nearly all on our feet [illegible] Mr. Gas Stations at first at the Falls has been [illegible] Station & supply the place of Dr. Wick. He is no longer a member of our church, and is now returning to the U. States. [illegible] not yet have seen him since the time — let the [illegible] hold a Camp meeting last [illegible] which began on the 19th. It was [illegible] Satan [illegible] with us. I brought my [illegible] to this station, where the wife [illegible] the winter, and [illegible] return to the Falls. Mary Parker and Rosa are [illegible] families are well. The Lord has been with us and our spirits are really refreshed. Let our [illegible] Who look to do good [illegible] through the [illegible] of the N. B. Bible Express brought us letters [illegible] from our friends. Dr. Ramp writes that such general and glorious revivals have never been known. People in our Society [illegible] for the year. Letters from my relations in Canada, all [illegible] Revival prevailing there. Revivals prevalent. My eldest [illegible] seeking the Lord. My love to the Pittsburg sisters [illegible] you. To Mr. Parker when you write him, write his address? [illegible] write me. Mrs. [illegible] love to you & yours [illegible] you write at every opportunity. The Lord bless us forever! Amen!

yours in the bonds of the Heavenly Gospel Daniel [illegible]

Mr Levi Chamberlain
Oahu

Wallamette Nov. 9th. 1840

My Dear Brother,

Your very kind letter by the H. B. Co. Ship Fraser I have received for which please accept my many thanks. It gives me much pleasure to hear from you from time to time, and especially in the present instance since the goodness of God has quite restored your health, and returned you in safety to your family, and your fellow laborers in your much blessed mission field. May the Lord sustain you then for many years to come! Br. Doll goes home, goes to his reward but you remain to suffer, and labor a little longer, and depart a little later to be with Christ. Thus it is that one is often taken while another left. You mention the arrival of the Catholic missionaries. Have we not read in prophecy that "Antichrist should come." So it has been, is, and will be until the appointed time when the Lord Jesus shall triumph over all his enemies and be proclaimed "King of Kings & Lord of Lords."

to our activity and exertion in our work
we have not only withstood & contended with
and to that is far more astonishing, against
to withstand. We have looked upon pagans
and considered their degradation and hell
and heart have almost fainted, and we
have sighed to engage with some anxiety.
Can these live? — And our doubts have
been solved in a manner truly wonderful,
for we have seen the dead revived, Grace divine
has triumphed over the deep depravity,
over all the delusions of the enemy, and the
prisoners have been set at liberty. — What
then shall move us? — Shall systematic
falsehood under the guise of religion prevail
against us? certainly not, that it will render
our work more arduous is quite sure.
It may even triumph for a season &
with its battlements shadow darken some of
our brightest prospects? I am more & more
convinced that Romanism is the same
that it has ever been. However it may
accommodate itself to peculiar circum-
stances its spirit and design remain the
same, and it always has been the grey to line-

[illegible] as clear that they
are the men in whom wisdom has made us
wise, so exceedingly that we may not
think for ourselves. Thanks to that kind
providence by which we have not so
belonged the Gospel! While the Scriptures remain
the test book of Christianity Romanism must
remain a delusion - and this, they therefore
confess with one voice in their continued ef-
fort to suppress the Scriptures.

You will have the pleasure of an
acquaintance with Mr Fanshaw & Mr
Gentleman just from the States who go to Ca[illegible]
they have visited us - and will be able to
give you of the affairs of this country.

With Kind regards to your family
and all your fellow laborers
I remain very
Affectionately Yours
in
Daniel [illegible]

Mr. Levi Chamberlin
Honolulu
S. Islands

Oct. 21/39
J. Emerson
Dec. 16-1839
Mr. Long 1840

Wailuku Oct 25th 1859

Mr. Rev. Chamberlain

Honolulu

Dear Brother

Your Journal just received by the Sch. Isabella I am happy to acknowledge upon kind favor of the 13th Aug. I would be glad at length but fear my time will scarcely admit me to give you this sheet. All the brethren in the upper Missions will tell their own story, I shall only say concerning them that we have just had letters that state that they were well, generally with the exception of Mrs. Ealey, who it was thought would not continue long. The letters were I think written about the first of the present month. Mr. Dwight was well on the 16th of that time I left on this station, where I expected to be stationed. The Missionary gathered here are all well. Mr. & Mrs. Crozier. She had been very ill, but is now quite recovered. - Mr. Lyle's family have been much afflicted the past summer, I trust that the chastening of the Lord will be for our profit. - Death is no friend, and reduction is a greater calamity than now. How reduction is of being avoided

those that belonged to the mission school and some others - 6 Com. Residents and the Misses three daughters shared in the grace. The work began about Decr last, at a prayer meeting held at the Mission -

We have determined on having an Institution for Education of the children of Foreigners residing in this country - $100 have been pledged by six individuals - Such an Institution appears to us to have claims - that must not be denied, and we entertain no doubts but it will succeed - I do not feel at liberty to say more, Mr. Leslie - may do so in some of his letters I think he is writing to Mr Bingham. Remember me to Mrs. Chamberlain and Miss Wilson - Dr & Sister Shepard join me in kind regards. Pray for us - May the Lord be with thy spirit!

Yours affectionately Cornelius

C. M.

Rev. Jno. Chamberlain
Honolulu
Oahu
S.I.

Mission Letter
Jno. Chamberlain
July 25 1839
Recd
Rec'd Aug. 13 1839.

My Dear Brother — Wallamette 31st May 1839

I rec'd your by Br. Hall in April for which you will accept my thanks, hoping that I could rightly reciprocate the favor. I will however do what I can. I hope I shall not soon cease to feel a deep interest in your happiness, and in the prosperity of your Mission, my acquaintance with several of its members, and their kindness to me when a stranger, have endeared them greatly and quite interested me with them in their work. I greatly rejoiced to hear what God had wrought at the Islands, particularly that the work was still progressing. I feel afflicted in the affliction of Br. Grill. But it will soon be over, if not already. Who will now call on the poor Seaman, to "flee from the wrath to come"! O that they may prize the privileges now removed from them. How sudden the fate of Capt. Little! May mercy be upon his bereaved widow! Br. Hall spent his life spent to right with us on their way up to the Islands and we were happy in meeting them. On the 7th I left to come here where I have now spent 23 days. The Brethren and Sisters are generally well. Br. Beers has been very sick, so that his life hung in doubt but has recovered. Our three Children are now in the School, and all with two or three exceptions are well. The Catholic Clergymen Messrs. Blanchette & Demarche are very active & zealous. Their labors are unceasing. They are engaged daily and late, in preaching, Catechising &c. What a mighty motive to action! What an inducement to expose in her Season, if it be indeed true, that there is no other place of Salvation but their Church!! The Lord has visited this Station and a good number have professed faith in Christ, many of whom continue to give evidence of a genuine work of Grace in the heart. Brethren

the labor of getting a single Sloop load of goods from Vancouver to the Mission which will cost 10 pounds sterling or more is equal to the cost of one man for 6 months. We are however making progress notwithstanding these difficulties - and shall soon be able to pursue our operations ~~work~~ quite work with vigour and success - Of this I feel confident.

Pitch is our serve table and we can do little else, but secure a few them, and we can devote all our powers directly to the great object of our Mission. May the great head of the Church enable us to labor, and make us instruments of much good. My kind regards to Mrs Chamberlain - and enquiring friends

I remain yours truly
& Brother
D Daniel Lee

On the arrival of the first Emigrants at Vancouver Mr Lee hastened to meet them and escort them to this place which occupied several days - Much time and labor were required to transport their baggage - Most of the supplies were first stored at Vancouver - One Sloop load was taken as far as the Willamette falls packed over a portage of half a mile and then transported in boats and canoes to their destination This as you may see supposed was a work of six weeks and required a large number of men - One house was now ~~literally~~ full twice full full of people and full of goods - We were now about 24 in all about fifty. Such a house you never saw. And thus we lived till a house could be built for Dr. White - This done one was built for Mr Beers. - Mr Leslie occupies a house purchased of one of the settlers and yet with about 20 in one family we find ourselves much straitened for

Room

D. See

Mission House Wellington

8th December 1837

Dear and Expected Brother,

I am happy in the prospect of acknowledging the receipt of the letters you were so kind to write me by our first and second reinforcements to this Mission. I have given them a second reading with mingled emotions sorrow and joy. The Princess, Dr Gardner, Mrs Ignatius and Dibble are no more, cut down in the midst of their days. Surely we may with great propriety adopt the language of the Psalmist, and say "Clouds and darkness are round about him." He has assured that he will do all things well, we may add, in confidence "Righteousness and judgment are the habitation of his Throne". I congratulate you on the accession of another important reinforcement and am happy to learn that one of them is your assistant. This, I hope may relieve you from that intense application to business to which you were before obliged by your peculiar situation

Mission House
Willamette Sept 28. 1835

Very Dear
Brother,

I write this chiefly as an acknowledgment of my obligations to you & your for your many kind attentions towards me, while in behalf of this Mission, while I was permitted to tarry with you - My Brethren join me in these sentiments of esteem, gratitude, and affection. Your kindness will outlook my wrongs and pray for my salvation, and success in the great work of winning souls. My associates have been much labor in my absence. There has been much sickness and proper deaths in the Mission. The American Missionaries have arrived, Mr & Mrs Lee & Spalding & their wives. and Mr Gray. The Lord bless their work!

[redacted] Chamberlain, and the little band in his care. To Brother Bishop, Edmond Smith, Parker and their wives. May the Lord bless and prosper you and your fellow workers more & more! I have written to others, as you will see what seems it unnecessary for me to add more here. Only that I remain your much obliged

Affectionate and humble Servant
Daniel Lee

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The [illegible] will [illegible] [illegible] has been [illegible] afflicted in his family [illegible] has [illegible] [illegible] her life and [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] she is still [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] very little

Both shall [illegible] [illegible] with us and we feel highly gratified in the enjoyment of their company the few days they have tarried with us.

He will be prepared to give you all desired information respecting our affairs and prospects I must confess that I feel the want of more faith it appears to me that this it is a hard and barren soil and that we are but unskilful cultivators but I remember the words of the Lord by the prophet it is not by might nor power but by my spirit saith the Lord of hosts yea the barren wilderness shall become a fruitful field and the fruitful field like the garden of the Lord may the Lord hasten it in his own [illegible] time my heart responds

The Lord has been pleased to pour out of his spirit at the stations of Bro-Lee and Perkins in a wonderful manner they write us and they entertain hope that numbers are converted. I hope that the work will continue to spread till it shall reach even us and the whole Oregon

We are looking for brother Lee with great anxiety. It seems a long time since he left us. We are longing for many home news. We pray our prayers at the Islands. I hope your hearts have been refreshed by the kind of words by brother Lee safe arrived at Cabia long before this time. I rejoice to learn that so many are on the way to join us in this mighty field. I love the hope and pray that the great power of the Church will give us that wisdom which is profitable to direct that we may be on the best way to benefit the poor Indians and bring them to a knowledge of the Saviour.

The Spectator caused my heart to rejoice in the prospect that the Hawaiian nation is fast emerging into the blessings of civilization their late written code of laws being proof. I hope that God in his mercy will save the people from the hands of the spoiler and will so dispose the hearts of the rulers of the great powers that he that they will not suffer any to violate the rights of the Sandwich Island people but I must come to a close as my sheet is full. My wife and children joins with me in sending our love to you and your family. Yours in the bonds of Christian fellowship

Hiram Bingham

Hanson Beers
ap. 21 1840
pr Columbia
June 24 1840.

acknowledged
July 14/40

Mr Levi Chamberlain
Honolulu
Oahu

Care
the Mail

Calcutta April 14th 1840

Dear Brother Crawford

I feel as if I ought to write you a few lines at this opportunity as I dont know when I shall have another. I learned by Bro Hall that you have been sick and are now very feeble in health. I hope ere this you are convalescent and about the arrangements duties of your calling. I hope I shall hear from you by the next arrival.

I am enjoying good health except a little rheumatism in my left knee my family are also well. I feel that I am laid under great obligations to God for his goodness to me and more for all the blessings enjoyed in this country since we left the home of our fathers. I feel a desire to consecrate myself anew to his service. Our mission has been severely afflicted the winter past with sickness and death our dear brother expects to remove an inhabitant of time but we trust he is of glory. His last hours were peace and while he died his reason he was enabled to rejoice in God his Saviour continually how blessed it is the righteous have hope in his death

to your acquaintance he has been in the settlement a short time and is good musick master &c — &c and makes a profession of religion. give my love Mrs Chamberlain and all enquiring friends yours — &c

PS Mrs Bears wishes to be kindly remembered to Mrs Chamberlain and the children

Samuel Bears

Mr Levi Chamberlain
Honolulu
Oahu

Mr Levi Chamberlain
Oahu
Sandwich Islands
Nathaniel Bears
Fairhaven
Mass

PS — We expect Bro Jason Lee by the way of the Islands with a reinforcement at the same time the coming winter

is not congenial with the spirit of the gospel
I am of opinion that as things are now
all political interference ought carefully
to be avoided but appeals to the conscience
to the hearts and understandings of the people
and a faithful exhibition of the doctrines of
the gospel is all sufficient to save the
people from fobery and the absurdities of the
church of Rome

With us the case is far different the Indians
have not the confidence they are ignorant of the
gospel and the Catholic missionaries have all
the advantage over us for the Canadian French
are allied to most all the tribes by marri
and by them catholic principles and usages
are taught Mr Blanchard has already
affirmed that we are no religionist of all
and all the prejudices of the untutored savage
are and will be arrayed against but I must
close this subject

Our present prospects are not very flatter
ing but the Lord reigneth let the earth
rejoice we have again been called to mourn
George Dr White adopted son was drowned the
past summer in the Wabanet in attempting
to ford it and Bro Leslie's wife is now
very sick we think dangerous she is very
low & not able to speak loud her complaint
first the ague and fever I should be
glad to write particulars but Mr Johnson
will be able to give particulars as he leaves
here for the Island I would recommend him

heathen shall be gathered in to the fold of
Christ and all the nations be converted to God
There is a bright side to look at the picture
for our Almighty Jesus is a great saveour
and as he came to destroy the work of the devil
St Paul declares he shall reign till he
has put all his enemies under his feet
and we cannot doubt but he will also in
due time destroy him whose coming is after
the working of satan with all power and
signs and lying wonders and all deceivableness
of unrighteousness for God hath declared
He will destroy the mystery of iniquity by the
spirit of his mouth and with the brightness of
his coming and he who now letteth will let
till the mystery of iniquity is fulfilled
I felt much chagrin at first when I
learned how affairs stood at the Islands in
reference to Popery but on reflection I
am inclined to think it will like the
persecutions raised against St Paul also tend to
the furtherance of the gospel I rejoice that
God hath given the holy scriptures to the
Islanders through you and your coadjutors
The word of God is indeed the spirit of his mouth
and where the scriptures are read the
brightness of his coming has already begun
to appear, the manner in which
Catholicism has been introduced there
I think will operate as a remedy
against it because they already do
know that force and the use of the sword

Wabaunee Oct 12. 1859

Mr Levi Chamberlain

Dear Brother

I was happy in the receipt of your letter of Aug 19th. it always affords me pleasure to hear from my brethren in Christ especially those who are labouring for the spread of the gospel in heathen lands

I feel to sympathize with you that many of the labourers in the Lords vineyard at your stations are suffering under sore disease or are pining away through wasting sickness But we have this consolation that God deals with us as with sons and that these light afflictions shall work out for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory if we make a sanctified use of them which we all may do through the gracious influence of his holy spirit

I feel to say with you that I must lay out my time and strength as I could wish for the work in which we are engaged is a great work and I begin to find by experience the difficulties that must be met and surmounted which I had but little or no idea of and I sensibly feel the want of more faith yes a strong faith that looks up to the promises of God that the

my Master has assigned me I hope to be faithful to my trust so that when my Lord shall return reckon with me I shall hear it said well done — enter &c —

I rejoice with you for what the Lord is doing for the Sandwich Islands I hope the good word of the kingdom will spread all abroad till all the Islanders shall be gathered into the fold of Christ

I am looking with intense interest and expecting that something will be done through the providence of God to save the Islanders as a people in the earth surely if the prayer of faith can save them they will remain a monument of the goodness and mercy of God but as the subject of prayer must acquiesce in the prayer of faith in order to be benefited so must the Islanders do something for themselves otherwise extermination or vassellage will be their unavoidable doom they have been taught their is one living and true God and repentance towards God and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ are prerequisite in order to salvation — But Dear Brother they must be taught the whole of christian duty the offender must let the oppressed go free the lazy man learn to be diligent in business &c

I have said they must be taught the whole of christian duty &c they are taught it I believe it but I would exhort you with the words of the prophet: cry aloud and spare not show the people their transgressions and the chiefs their sins

The chiefs have been the cause of making their people lazy by taking away their lands idleness is a sin against God

I may safely say all these people are guilty of this sin and if the King and Chiefs do not remove the cause of this evil I have no doubt but God will punish them perhaps as severely as he did the house of Jeroboam of old
I fear I see that the Sandwich Islanders as a People and Nation are verging to a critical crisis these weeks and months are golden moments Oh that they may be seized as the greatest advantage for stupid people who are so dull to appreciate their own interest. But I must drop this subject as they are beyond the reach of my effort except my prayers and them they shall have, as unworthy as I am

The Lord has graciously revived his work on this station since I last wrote some 45 or 50 have professed to have found the pearl of greate price in the Mission-school and vicinity I suppose you will be fully informed by some of my brethren who have less of the man to perform than myself of the particulars and progress of the work
The Catholics priests are making great exertions here I have much to write but must reserve it to another time
Give my love to bro- and sister Smith tell him I have not time to write him now I hope they both and— are in health
My family is well give my love to all the Brethren and sisters and my best wishes to your second self and the little ones Yours in the bonds of christian love

Levi- Chamberlain
Honolulu

Hiram Bi

Manson Beers
June 3 1839.
Pr Barque Vancouver
Capt. Duncan
July 25 1839

To
Mr Levi Chamberlain
Honolulu
Oahu

Nelamet June 8th 1839

Dear Brother

I am happy to acknowledge your kind letter of Feb 26th by bro Hall It is a source of pleasure and mental enjoyment to interchange our thoughts and hold sweet converse through our pens with our dear brethren and friends in Christ

I hope long to be favoured with the letters white messengers marked with your pen

I most heartily thank you for your kind offer to take charge of letters for us and forward them to our friends and theirs to us. I feel happy for so favorable opportunity to forward letters ~~to my friends~~ and shall avail myself of your kind offer

By this Ship I have not had time to write to any of my friends and this several is all I can make out as it is. fishing season with us and I have been busily employed in procuring salmon for the Ship we have settled 35 x Bls it makes laborious work to transport barrels of salmon thirty miles or more in a canoe this ~~I~~ course falls on me as I am most eligable for such employment some must abide by the stuff whilst others go out to war

but all partake of the spoils this is a heart cheering consideration and makes the tedious hours of labour pass cheerfully away; for in all our labours if we have correct views and right motives we serve the Lord there

The Levites of old had their work assigned them about the doors of the tabernacle while the priest had the care of the sacred vessels and ministered in holy things. I feel happy while I feel assured I am doing the work

travel of a mighty christian nation blessed with unexampled prosperity for more than half a century and yet a very neglected gives evidence that the churches are asleep to a sense of their duty or have forgotten the injunctions of their master I hope the day is not far distant when this lamentation of the heathen will cease no man careth for my soul and they shall exclaim how beautiful are the feet of them that preach glad tidings in the name of Jesus

The Lord has afflicted us this year with sickness and death Sister Lee has been removed from us also Dr White infant son sister Smith death here and Br Shepard has explanation on me of his knee some what alarming I will have a complete swelling time will determine I hope the Lord will sanctify all our afflictions to us and that I may profit by his chastise is my ardent prayer

Our anticipated neighbors the catholic priest in company with a bishop has at last arrived I had hoped we should have none of the agents of antichrist so near us I pity from my heart the catholics Canada

French they are so ignorant of God we have
here are a fair sample there is but
one in the settlement that can read they
have no correct knowledge of scripture
truth and what little they do know is
spoiled by the abominable traditions of the
Church ignorance the mother of devotion
it is impossible to form a correct idea of
the credulity of such unenlightened minds
without such an intimacy with them
as will destroy all suspicion of the
strength of the fetters of antichrist O
bless God I was not brought up under
its influence

We are doing but little in our
Indian department apparently none of us
have yet acquired the language so as to
communicate religious instruction to any
extent our school prospers and that is
all we can say

I rejoice with you for
what the Lord has and is doing for the
Islands may their fullness soon be
brought in. pray for us,

this from your most unworthy bro
Mrs Bears sends her love to you and
say give my love to all the children

Levi Chamberlain
Honolulu

Hiram Bear

Mr Levi Chamberlain
Honolulu,
Oahu;

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Hawaiian Islands
Mr. Parks
Jan. 31 1839
Rec'd Feb 24

Malamul Nov the 12. 1838

Dear Brother

After so long a time a sense of duty urges me to acknowledge your kind letter of Aug 12th 1837 — for which accept my thanks

All the excuse I have for so long a silence is the multiplicity of business on my hands and not being a ready writer I hope you will pardon me this neglect I assure you I hope always to retain a grateful remembrance of the acquaintance I had the happiness of forming with you and your dear brethren and sisters at the Islands

My health is now at present owing to a severe cold and cough but am getting better all my family has had the ague and fever but self and Joseph they are now in comfortable health

As you perceive we have an other son added to our little circle born 20th May last

Our superintendant Br Jason Lee has gone home to sound an alarm among the churches the fact that an extensive heathen country is within three months

Sir I send 20,000 feet of fine Lumber or more if wish you to measure it again
let it not by count
Please let the Hall have some for his co-knows
please and much oblige, that you will be dent

I am will pay the money to the captain of the Vessel

252 feet to Mr Hall.

20471 feet in all.
252 out for Mr Hall.

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of our new Superintendent (Mr Gray)
The Indian School has been given up
and the premises with the building sold
to the ME Church for an institution
of learning for the benefit of the whole
population of this country
Our Mills, farms, stock cattle & household
furn, & must be, entirely disposed of
without delay — And the Laymen of the
Valley all discharged from the service
The most of them will remain in
this country, as they have adopted it as
their home — As for my self I think
I shall return thro' next season to
the West — & settle my affairs & pay
my debts as far as I before I conclude
to make this my abode for the rest of
life — The prairie crops look more
& bid fair for an abundant harvest
We have been exceedingly busy since
our return home so much so that I have
not yet got my things from the M. I
I hope however to be more at liberty
Mrs Babcock joins me in kind regards
to you & your dear family please give
our best respects to Mr Hall & family also
to Mr Chamberlain as I may not have
time to write them by this opportunity
Mr Love Chamberlain } Give him my best wishes

J H Babcock

Copied 1.

Walcomb July 8th 1847

Mr Chamberlain

My Dear Sir

Your much valued favour dated 3d May per Mr Gary came safely to hand and was duly appreciated. We were much pleased to hear from you (and your family) but oh! how sad the intelligence that our dear sister Dale was removed & had left one of the best of men & two little ones to mourn her untimely loss — May this sudden bereavement be sanctified to us all

We arrived in safety across the bar of the Columbia, in twenty days after leaving your place nothing occurred worthy of notice during our sea voyage — On our arrival we found all in good health although some deaths had occurred in the tribe which we were absent but not of any importance — There have been some additions to our settlements as you have already been apprised and we are expecting many more this season I could fain hope that they would be of the right stamp

Some important changes have taken place in our Mission since the arrival

U. S. Sloop of War
Preble
Aug. 11 1842
Mr Chamberlain
Oct 5 1842
Rec'd Oct. 13 1842

Rec'd Oct 5/42

Mr Chamberlain
Honolulu
Sandwich Islands

Willamette Aug 10th 1842

Copied

Mr Chamberlain

My Dr Sir

I take this opportunity of sending a Barrel of Salmon by Capt Couch which I wish you to accept and divide between yourself Dr Judd and Mr Knapp, reserving one half of the whole for yourself

We are all enjoying a tolerable good degree of health in this Mission except Mrs Lawson who is quite low, and will probably not recover again

Our labours among the Indians are arduous and attended with many privations but we hope our work is not vain in the Lord although we do not see at present all the encouragement which we could desire.

I trust you are prospering at the Islands may you continue so to do till all shall be brought under the influence of the gospel of our common Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ

Mr Belcher unites with me in kind regards to Mrs Chamberlain and his interesting family

We have not forgotten the many kindnesses which we received while at your place, and we should be happy to reciprocate them in a similar way

Please give our best respects to Dr Judd and family and to Mr Knapp and wife

I am dear young
affectionately
J Malcom

Oregon Mission — Methodist (From)

1. S. L. Babcock — 1842, 1844
2. Alanson Beers — 1838, 1839 (2), 1840
3. David Lee — 1836, 1837, 1838, (2) 1840, 1841, 1842
4. David Leslie — 1839, 1843 (3)
5. Anna Maria Pittman — 1837
(later 1st Mrs. Jason Lee)

I well, we may ~~at~~ be indeed to modify our plans ~~&c~~ ~~and further~~ measures.

I need not take up time in relating our plan of operations to you, as they must be familiar to most of you.

Our ~~Statistical~~ table ~~[illegible]~~ made out at our last yearly meeting, reports that 179 have been admitted to our churches during the past 12. months; & that 520 have died during that time; & that 202. have been excommunicated; & the whole number then in regular ~~standing~~ was 18,451.

Nothing very specially interesting among us at present. The great religious excitement has, for the most part, subsided, & a day of trying means & tests has come. Romanism has gained strength very considerably among this people since your large reinforcement left us. On the 13th of May, the Brig Clementine, owned by the French Consul, Dudoit, came into this port bound with a French Bishop & three priests & 2000 gallons of Brandy & 150. doz. bottles of Gin, & immediately commenced operations. You are aware that their force consisted, Capt. Le Place, came & forgotten this summer, before their, viz 39.- some 10. months previous. Having come well armed with spirit, the time was not lost in recommending the good creature to the poor natives, & you may guess something of their success when I tell you, that there has been more intemperance & confusion among the natives in this village during the last 3. months, than there had been for the three years previous.

Darwinism ~~[illegible]~~ has already made its appearance, & has thrust itself into some of the good & wholesome laws of this people, yea, & ~~into the~~ laws of God too!

Their Bishop has separated a man & his wife on his own responsibility, when there was no ~~good reason~~ for their separation, & married them to other persons; & one of the priests told a foreigner the other day, that if he wished two wives he could have two. These, natural comments are beginning to boast that the laws are all null & void; that there is now no law against intemperance, or theft, or adultery or murder.

They have commenced building a stone cathedral in this village, to cost probably not less than fifteen thousand dollars. ($15,000) ~~[illegible]~~

They few of our church members have left us for Jesus. The cattle ~~[illegible]~~ & those who have gone, confess that their object is to go where they can sin with impunity. Such may perhaps as well enter upon their career of sin & destruction now, as at the day of judgment.

Many of our church members however are plunging again into the whirlpool of intemperance, though they do not profess to wish to go to purgatory & atone for their sins. May the Lord rebuke the wicked in their chastening.

Brother Hewes enjoys pretty good health as a missionary, though some of our members are feeble, & one or two are declining. Mrs. Cartlett still lies ~~[illegible]~~ in a carriage. Mr. Chamberlain has returned from the great waters with improved health. Mr. Porter ~~[illegible]~~

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a voyage to the coast for an [redacted] of the [redacted] River.

Several of the families on Hawaii have been & still are afflicted with ophthalmia. Mr. & Mrs. Bingham & their children, & Mrs. Thurston & her children have all come back from the U. States on board the Barque Flora, Capt. [redacted]. Mr. & Mrs. B. & Mrs. T. hope to return again some 2 yrs. hence (Geo. relents) Rev. Mr. Armstrong is now laboring as the pastor of Mr. Bingham's church & people. He is delivering lectures on Romanism three days, & is also publishing a tract on the subject, which will soon be in the hands of the people.

In your reply, please give us a definite account of what the cattle are doing in the Oregon, & whether they have made many converts among the Indians. We wish to hear concerning the whole of the interest established at one of your stations on the arrival of the Lausanne with the large reinforcement. Please inform us where their new brethren & sisters are located — their health & prospects. What are your views in relation to schools? & what are your views for the education of your own children? Please write us fully on these & all other points of common interest.

Christian salutations from us all to you all — In behalf of the Sandwich Islands Mission, I subscribe myself your brother & fellow laborer in the cause of Christian Missions.

Lowell Smith

Copied

Honolulu, Sandwich Islands, [redacted] 24. 1840

To the Methodist Episcopal Mission,
Oregon Territory,

Dear Brethren, The Sandwich Islands mission at their annual meeting in May last, voted to open a correspondence with your mission, & the Christian Mirror their organ of communication. Several reasons might be offered, if it were necessary, why we wish to commence & continue a correspondence with you. One is, the mutual benefit derived by corresponding with missionaries in different parts of the heathen world. Another is, the cause in which we are engaged, is one & the same, & by corresponding with our brethren we know better how to sympathize with them in their trials, afflictions & persecutions, & better how to rejoice with them in their prosperity. "When one of the members suffer all the members suffer with it; & when one of the members rejoice, all the members rejoice with it."

A third reason is, we have seen most of your number here at this temporary port, & have offered our services of prayer & praise together with you to our common Lord & Master. You seem to us like brethren, & why should we not be on corresponding terms, especially since you are our nearest neighbors? And again, the cause of missions is yet a matter of experiment. Your field of operations is a little different from ours; & should your success

Missionaries of the
A. B. C. F. M.
Honolulu:
Sandwich Islands.

Rufus Anderson,
Corresponding Secretary.
Boston, June 29 1837.

Mrs Pen, Jan. 23, 1857.

To the Brethren of the Sandwich Islands Mission.

Dear Brethren,

I hereby introduce to your acquaintance & christian courtesy the Brethren & Sisters of the Methodist Episcopal Church, who sail in the Pen for Oregon, by way of Honolulu. Receive them as the beloved in the Lord, & help them on their way after a godly sort. In great haste, but I could not allow these brethren to go without their official introduction.

Yours in Xn bonds,

R. Anderson, Secretary
of the A. B. C. F. M.

Peace be to the brethren, & love with faith from God the Father & the Lord Jesus Christ.

I am, dear Brother,

most truly yours,

R. Anderson, Secretary

of the A. B. C. F. M.

Letter of introduction
to Methodist Missionaries
from Hamilton
rec.d Dec 23 1836

To the
Missionaries of the A. B. C. F. M.
Honolulu:
Sandwich Islands.

Revd. White &
Messrs. Rice & Loomis.

To be returned to
Jas. Hamilton on
down on board the
Connecticut

Missionary Rooms, Boston, July 28, 1836.

To the Missionaries at the Sandwich Islands.

Dear Brethren,

This will introduce to you Dr. White and Messrs. Beers and Wilson, who, accompanied by wives and single female teachers, are going to commence a mission, with leave of Providence, in the region of Columbia River, under the auspicies of the Methodist Protestant Episcopal Church. They will be carried by the Hamilton no further than the Sandwich Islands, & will of course be under the necessity of waiting there till an opportunity is found for conveyance thence to the northwest coast.

You will, of course, receive them as brethren & sisters in the Lord, & use all hospitality [illegible] they remain with you, & will aid them all in your power in respect to the great object of their pursuit. They have our best wishes, & our fervent prayers for their complete success

Oregon Mission (Methodist) — Jo

1. Rufus Anderson to Sandwich Is. Mission, —, 1836 (introducing Dr White, Mesors. Beers & Wilson, etc.)

2. Lowell Smith —, Honolulu, 1840

Jm. S. S. Cutting

Mr Earle

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Invoice of books, slates, paper &c. shipped by the Agents of the Sandwich Islands Mission to the Rev. J. S. Griffin, Twalatin Plains, Oregon Territory.

6	Colburn's Arithmetic,	@ 25c	1.50
2	Greenleaf's do	75c	1.50
2	Emerson's do	75c	1.50
1	Perkin's do		.85
1	Leonard's do		75
1	Webster's 8vo. Dictionary,		5.00
5	do Small do	@ 60c	3.00
25	Russells Primers,	8c	2.00
10	Hall's Geography	20c	2.00
8	Eclectic Reader's 2nd hand,		4.00
6	Malte Brun's Geography & Atlas		6.00
	from Mr. A. S. Cooke,		
			$28.05
18	Slates @ $1.80;	2.70	
1	Gum Pencils,	.13	
1/2	doz Ink Powder	.30	
1/2	Ream Letter Paper	2.25	
1/2	" Fools Cap do	1.00	6.38
			$34.43

The following presented by A. S. Cooke.

4 Progressive Exercises No 6.
2 Emerson's First Part,
5 Foster's Copy Books,
7 Small Blank Books.
1 Botham's Intel. Arithmetic,
1 Lesson's on the Book of Proverbs,
1 School of Good Manners.

Honolulu August 19, 1847.

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Besides the books contained in the Invoice, we send you various other books, both of a religious and a didactic kind, which you will please dispose of as you may think best. Some of them are of so little value that they serve simply to fill up the boxes; but in a land destitute of books they may be read by some one, and perhaps not without profit.

The object which you desire to promote is a good one, and we wish you every success in your endeavors to elevate the people for whom you labor.

In my late visit to the United States I had the pleasure of seeing a relative of your wife. I do not recollect her name, but she called twice at my boarding house in Boston, and intimated her intention to forward in the Ship Montreal a box for you, which I think was sent, and received at the islands and forwarded to Oregon soon after my return.

My health during the last two years has been precarious, and my labors in the secular department of the Mission have been mostly remitted. I embarked for China in Decr. 1845 and thence, after remaining there about three months, I took passage for the United States. My stay there was about three months, & then I embarked for the islands where I arrived on the 3rd day of May, having been absent 18 months, my health somewhat improved but not perfectly recovered. Hemorrhage from the lungs is my complaint. It is of a passive kind, and

is the return of a disease with which I was affected in the early period of my life. I have some cough and so much of debility that I can attend only partially to business — Mr Saml. N. Castle and Edwin O Stall are my associates in the secular concerns of the Mission

I am respectfully & truly
Your ob. Servt
Leo Chamberlain

Copy to Rev. J. L. Griffin
Aug. 19th 1847.

Honolulu,
August 19th 1847.

Rev. J. S. Griffin,
Tulalatin Plains O.T.

Dear Sir,

Your letter of Apl 12th, addressed to the Agent of the Sandwich Island Mission was received on the 16th inst. and your request for books &c. has been complied with as far as it has been in the power of the Secular Agents of this mission to do it, in behalf of whom and as one of them I address you.

Herewith you have an inventory of the books, writing paper, slates &c. sent; for which we make a charge against you to the amount of $34.43. This sum if not convenient to remit to the islands, you may pay over to Dr Whitman, or to any of the missionaries of the A.B.C.F.M. established in the Oregon Territory, who will account for the same to us.

We were able to furnish the school books only by applying to the Principal of the Mission School Mr B. McCoke, of the School of the young Chiefs; who handed over all they could spare. We order only to meet the wants of our own scholars & have seldom more on hand than are needed for them.

So he your brother &c., some of whose little daughters your Isabella remembered in a protracted meeting I attended in that place; but as Mr. Doran is so cast up in third sectarianism, we greatly feared on leaving N. York would not be found in the wilderness of a transition of three days".

I think he spoke of yourself as keeping from disconnected thoughts in consecration even in childhood.

Strength was given as the danger to be overcome & the results consequent upon the fact! of Mr. [illegible] to awaken an interest in their minds [illegible] carrying forward the youth & children of [illegible] a month elevation in a church & revival [illegible] that again & again of the mighty [illegible] God brings about by taking a little child [illegible] for glorious, & throwing him [illegible] atmosphere!

[illegible] which have manifested in my [illegible] have been singular [illegible] I sometimes hardly know how to account for the various & singular providences in which I may with [illegible] the Lord has directed my steps to the [illegible] time, [illegible] & die.

[illegible] I was directed of God through [illegible] to this very spot, & to this genealogy [illegible] God [illegible] my hope & trust is

that the Lord will bless me, which has
come in our midst.

Our people are fiercely driven to procure
wheat & rearing stock, which go to show there seems
a prospect of being redeemed from the lay shadow
of death, spoken of in the date of their vision, so the
blessed employment of sustaining the cause of
the Lord, as you are aware, there is an interest
springing up in the State for sustaining it, yet on
this account, & that we may obtain the blessings
without the usual cost attending it, we must
without law!

Mr Stranger, who was at the first sight commended
to me, & who had been sought to be [illegible]
the head, & whose entire interest [illegible]
have to this country, & whose plight [illegible]
warned well, has been [illegible]

He terminated his life the last week [illegible]
himself upon a log fire at Nauvoo [illegible]
for the purpose of exhibiting a token of healing in
confirmation of being a prophet of the Lord. I be-
ing in the State, I was not studious in the change or
hallucination of Mormonism & consequently his last
exhibition to me in the awful journey of leaving the
continent, became more & more distressing, until, on
arriving in the country I gave him up & let
cast his lying hand with [illegible]

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[illegible] pledged his labours to my support, over & above his single living, advised him to establish himself as a merchant in the settlements of Willamette, as a security to himself & the settlers, advised some of the brethren of the interior of his being an unnecessary assistant in missions, which advice was pursued secretly against me for a long time & had no connection with

J. S. Griffin
June 15th 1842
pr Chenamus
Octr 5 1842.
Ansd Mar. 25/43.

Recd Octr 5/42

[illegible] Esq
Honolulu
[illegible]

My [illegible] usually enjoyed health sufficient for active [illegible] since [illegible] from the States. We are [illegible] favorable [illegible] for comfortable living, but [illegible] valued [illegible] business [illegible] our profession, but no more so than [illegible] in the land. [illegible] the [illegible]

him [illegible] of [illegible] mind, feeling, & saying, when pressed to say anything, I dont charge him with wrong, but with the exhibition of the strangest phenomena which had brought me [illegible] with [illegible] to death's door. Some year or more [illegible] at Dr. Whitman's, writing in [illegible] [illegible] him to declare himself at the head of the church

Charleston [illegible] June 15th 1862.

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Lieut. Chamberlain U.S.

Dear Sir, Your letter of July 14th '61, containing [illegible] by Capt. Charles Capt. Prentiss, arrived last evening but as I am [illegible] 25 miles from Charleston, [illegible] not catch the opportunity [illegible] by [illegible] return [illegible]. The [illegible] were [illegible] to your care from Boston, by my direction [illegible] to the direction of Brother B. B. Hall, as he [illegible] advised of your regards & [illegible]. [illegible] it is of special worth [illegible] symbols of the fraternity [illegible] made for forwarding letters & packages [illegible] appreciated by me. [illegible] attended with a letter to [illegible] some items & [illegible] a little [illegible] see that the matter in [illegible] & sold. [illegible] The goods were shipped by [illegible] of Hamer & Hamer, [illegible]

Receive the [illegible] (see in 30) [illegible] can be accounted in the [illegible] Chair, with some [illegible] of Chamberlain, Skinner

Ransom Sept 28th 1841

Gen. Chamberlain will you please
forward the inclosed letters to the
[illegible] and oblige
Your obedt Servt
[illegible]

[illegible] and am now among my
[illegible] friends, and consequently only time
[illegible] to write, I suppose you have
received my letter concerning my goods
May the Lord bless and prosper you
[illegible] labors of love [illegible]
[illegible] Be in the last
[illegible] Henry Clark

cross the ocean together. I hope to write Mrs. Hinman a long letter, soon. We feel interested in the Rev. Mr. Hunt's field of labor, & hope we may yet hear of a great ingathering of precious souls in Honolulu even from among the multitudes who now say, "to the Spirit of God, go thy way for this time; when I have a more convenient season I will call for thee." We are not acquainted with Mr. & Mrs. Bunn & Mr. Stanley, I think you will find an agreeable acquaintance.

Your letter found me feeble in body but joyful in spirit. Joyful, I say, on account of having just been removed from my own room where I had been confined five weeks, with the exception of being drawn out once, & remaining a few minutes. From my husbands letters to Mr. B. & to others, you will be informed of our repeated afflictions in the loss of our dear little ones, & of my subsequent, severe illness. We speak of afflictions, but we will sing of mercies too. Great was our disappointment in the loss of our own dear babe, & when our little adopted daughter was placed in my arms, we felt that God had given us a treasure to enjoy, an immortal child to train for heaven, & had thus provided for the wants of the little orphan babe. But his ways are not our ways. In little more than a week after we received her to our bosoms, her lovely form was laid beside her departed mother. And she was not, for God had taken her. So fades the summer flower

may chance to meet, & perhaps a little interest in your family. I hope you will write me soon.

away. By this dispensation of Providence we were greatly humbled, but as we thought, submissive & could say, the Will of the Lord be done. But we knew not our own hearts, & we were not sufficiently grateful for benefits received. Perhaps for this reason, our Heavenly Father, saw fit to chastise us farther, in my increased suffering & debility. I was brought apparently, to the borders of the grave. After five days suffering, my disease came to a crisis. I was then very low & my symptoms unfavorable. My husband came, & knelt by my bedside, & asked if I felt prepared to bid adieu to all earthly objects, & enter upon the untried scenes of another world. I told him I felt prepared. He says perhaps God may yet bless the means used for your relief, but my mind depends upon your. Dear Pa, (says) will you dear Ma, strive to bear your suffering? I ask that God will spare you to live, & to this people. I replied I thought I must go, & that I could not make another effort to live, if that was needed. I had a night of suffering, but the following day a little relief. This with my husband, was an almost sleepless night, as many before & after were. He was remarkably sustained in his night watchings, & in his arduous labors during the day. I am rapidly recovering. One week since I rode to Mr. Walker's & dined. Yesterday I attended on the worship of God, in his Sanctuary, & with the little church surrounded the table of our blessed Lord & Saviour. Br. Br. has today gone to decide upon the location of an academy about 30 miles distant

You are in my prayers, & I hope as frequently as possible & believe you will be remembered by this people. Please write as often as possible.

Mary not be able to answer Mrs. Parker's
letter at this time, but will make it up
another time. Dear Mrs. Parker, I am
very glad to hear from you, & am
very sorry that I have not been able
to write before. My time has been
so much occupied, & I feel with the
utmost interest, he
mind as it was, upon a sick bed. It was
joy to hear of your husband's improved health.
We had fears that he would never recover from
the feeble state, in which we left him. Every
item of news in your letter, was highly valuable to
me, especially in relation to your own dear family.
After perusing, & expressing your letter, I closed my
eyes, & imagined myself again in Honolulu, surrounded
by dear friends there. At one time seated in the
midst of your family mingling our sympathies with yours
& with you kneeling around the family altar, to offer
our united supplications to our Heavenly Father, who
has kindly preserved you, & as, since our separation
another time, surrounded by some other dear circle,
with whom we may never again hold converse in this
vale of tears. I was pleased to hear so good an account of
the dear friends Mary & Mrs. Rooney. I had previously
heard of her indisposition. It must be pleasant
for you to have the society of Mr. Clark's family. I can
appreciate the attachment of fellow passengers, especially
of those who are the people of God. I know the strong
ties, which bind the hearts of those who thus trav

Molokai. I am assured that the Officers of my Society will appreciate and take public notice of the gift, and offer kindness in making an early communication of its contents.

The offering discovers one valuable feature of the Missionary work and we may trust that all [redacted], were actuated by a benevolent feeling, in a good degree proportionate to their knowledge. [redacted] complied and commend such benefactors.

We are happy to learn of the welfare of your family, out of stress missionary friends. We have many reasons to thank our Heavenly Father for permitting us to visit the S.I. on our journey. Occasion to land and see so many old friends.

Our body hearts have been cheered with tears. Of our journeyings and hastings have [redacted] as we could wish. Now we are quietly enjoying our own home in our own church. And altho of late have been especially called to feel that what the Lord gave the Lord can justly take away, I am not permitted to praise God for believing the promises of my Joys and comforts Bone.

After Mrs. A's confinement, and the sad loss of our daughter at its birth, we adopted an infant daughter whose mother had died two weeks before at its birth. We also took the sister of it 8 yrs old into our family. The Association of Congl & Presbyt. here seem occurred Sept. 20th which induced us to move. Company (Spurgeon) and secured the organization of the church in Sept. 9th now is comprised of six ministers the church not thoroughly formed — At that time our child became sick. Mrs A. through daughter became overwrought and both the care of it and the excitement, I was called away much. Our people are all kind. The adopted infant daughter was called away at the age of just as we had begun to love it. Both anxiety and sorrow until prepared for the overwhelming strength Mrs. A. and I have alternately attended with a disease of the bowels, and old complaint, and nervous pains at times in the bowels. But the disease grew and increased in severity suffered extremely day & night. Col. Offley Crews Fredd Smith visited and Rev. [illegible]

had become tainted we gave often 3.5.94
even once 13 teaspoonfuls of Castor oil before a
proper effect could be produced. Several
al times I despaired of her life &
we both felt that we must part. She
seemed ready to go I thought I could
say "Thy will O God be done".
Under the action of Dr Pierce's cal-
omel the disease grew better, although
her body was almost covered with
blisters. We are much indebted to
Dr. McGuffey for his counsel.
Our Physician Dr Doty was very at-
tentive, saving the last week
Mrs. A. has been gaining this morn-
ing she walked out of her room. She
has received the letters from the Bryan
Mission. Our Office is now off. Other
and I do the home work only. Mr A.
directing. So it is with many, duly commu-
be returned. They will accomplish out. Mrs A.
already is now sick and can attend no one.
We have been visited by friends & by our
neighbors & parishioners. Many kind inquiries
also. Mrs Thatcher has been and will ca-
tinue for a short season. Our sky is slowly
gathering. We all need prayer & sympathy
earnestly pray that God may be with us
[illegible]

Oregon City Oct. 25th 1848

Respected & Esteemed Brother

I rec'd your favor of Aug. 15th '48 with other letters by the "Belvidere" the 20th inst. It gave me much pleasure to receive these lines written by your well known hand. We rejoice that you were able to write and, all we learn by Mrs. Wm. Rogers letter, are still comfortable. We had feared that you would not receive any from yourselves of disaster but that has been merciful in sparing you to your family, to your Mother & to the Church. I am persuaded the prayers of the righteous are also a multitude of friends who have enjoyed your society will feel grateful that they continue to hear of your good degree of health. May it be sanctified. We shall ever rejoice to hear from you either from others or yourself.

I am gratified to know of the donations made by the generosity of

My Wm. Thomas Lee has been dated Oct. 17th 1848

Oregon Mission - (Independent) —

1. Geo. H. Atkinson — 1848

2. Mrs. Atkinson — 1848

3. Harvey Clark — 1841

4. J. S. Griffin — 1842, 1847 (2) f. L. Chamberlain
1847 (f. D. Dole & S. M. Castle for GSG)

ties as are essential to your comfort and usefulness. Should the Board continue to furnish us in the manner they heretofore have done, and comply with a suggestion which I made to them some months ago - Namely - to allow us the investment of 5,000 or 6,000 dollars annually in staple articles of need, over the stipulate amount granted for our support - thus permitting us to keep an assortment of goods on hand - it would not be a series of difficult accomplishment to answer your orders ~~for goods~~. and supply your wants as often as opportunities of sending from there island to Columbia river might be presented. It would be attended with some trouble to us: but this would be disregarded should your comfort & usefullness be thereby promoted. -

Should an American Colony be established on the Columbia you might doubtless in such an event import your goods direct from the U. S. and save the expense of ~~[illegible]~~ shipment at the S. I. which might be $20 p ton. In the present instance I pay $12, but this is

confessedly lower than the ordinary
rate.

Copy of part of a
letter to Dr Whitman
Aug 12th 1839
for Vancouver Aug 13th

Honolulu August 12 1839

Marcus Whitman, M.D.
Widelpoo

I have shipped to the care of J. Douglas, Esq. Fort Vancouver the following

No. 1 One Chest,
2 one box contg papers & pamphlets &c

The packages are somewhat larger than is desirable for the kind of land carriage you have in the Oregon, but they come within 120 lb.; and I did not think it expedient to repack them.

It has occurred to me that such supplies for your mission as cannot be obtained reasonably at Vancouver, or at least as reasonably as they could be sent to you by the Board, might by an arrangement with the Treasurer in Boston be forwarded to the these islands in connection with supplies for this mission, and here be put up in convenient size and shipped to Fort Vancouver. - I suggest this as an expedient in case you have no arrangements for obtaining such foreign stores di-

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ment would be convenient for carriage by land. And in accordance with the suggestion of his, that all packages weighing more than 120 pounds should be repacked at this place, I have repacked most of your goods. I opened the red painted box, took out some heavy articles and placed in their stead light articles to adjust the weight. No 3 is quite bulky and somewhat heavier than is desirable, but the box is well packed, and containing a musical instrument, I thought it not expedient to disturb the contents. All the other boxes have been supplied here, and their contents removed from the original containers. Book case No 9 is too bulky and likewise too heavy to be boxed; so I have tied a mat around it in a manner to secure it from injury. I hope you will receive the articles in good order; though, if exposed to bad weather while they are being transported by land, they will be in danger of injury.

A fore plane taken out of one of your packages was left out of your boxes for want of room and is packed in one addressed to Mr Spalding.

~~It were better that supplies for the Oregon were packed securely in the U.S. in boxes of barrels of the right weight and so by putting them in any [illegible] the necessity of repacking being at all the islands. If we should be under the necessity of repacking boxes here the expense would be considerable. A container of the size of a half barrel would cost $2.00. Boards from Columbia river cost 6 cents per superficial foot. American pine boards 10 or 12 cts per foot. Carpenter's work is high also.~~

If supplies for the Oregon are to be sent by the way of these islands there are many in favor of their being put up of the right weight in the U.S. The principal expense attending their being repacked, if new containers are to be provided. On the other hand if articles are put up in large containers the freight will be more economical, but in order to secure the economy of the measure, the repacking should not take place till the supplies reach Vancouver. —

I do not know what your arrangements may be in regard to supplies from the U.S.; but the Board might doubtless make provision for some things in their shipments to this mission, of which intimations might be

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given to the agent, ~~[illegible]~~. We are in no want of labor, but will are ready to our power, beyond our power to ~~do what we can~~ promote the comfort and usefulness of those who labor in the Rocky Mountains for the building up of the Redeemer's kingdom.

With very kind regards to Mrs C.

I am very truly & sincerely yours

signed Levi Chamberlain

Copy (Simplicity) to
Rev. Lathrop Rec
Secy. & Treas
Missionary
Aug 13 1839

Honolulu, Sandw: Isl.ds Aug. 8 1839

Rev. Cushing Eells.

Dear Brother,

An opportunity is afforded for sending to the Columbia River by Barque Vancouver, one of the Hudson's Bay Company's vessels, and I ship to the care of J. Douglas, Esq.r Chief Factor at Fort Vancouver a number of packages addressed to you, as follows.

Rev. Cushing Eells,
near Walla Walla.

N.o 1	One box clothing.
2	One red painted box.
3	One box containing baft sil.
4 to 7	four boxes clothing.
8	One box books.
9	one book case & contents in a mat covering
10 & 11	two boxes clothing.

Most of the packages as received from Boston were above the weight which according to Mr. Spalding's state-

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prefer of repacking where goods come in large packages.

It may be proper here to state that repacking in small boxes or half barrels will, if done here, be attended with more expense than if done at Vancouver from the cost of the boxes &c. Deals are from 6 to 8 cents pr. foot. Carpenters work high. 2nd the bulk of the freight will be considerably increased, as the larger the ~~packages or boxes~~ contained for the goods the more economical. If the quantity of freight ~~would~~ be considerable ~~[illegible]~~ from small to large containers would make a considerable fall of cost.

Imperfect Copy
of a letter to Messrs
Spalding, Whitman
& Associates
June 8 1839
for W. B. Ship Sulphur
Sailed 8th

Messrs Spalding, Whitman & Associates,
Oregon Ter.

Honolulu
June 8 1839.

Dear Brethren

Inclosed is an invoice of a shipment of goods per Ship Fama from Boston, which have been received and are in keeping at this place awaiting an opportunity for a conveyance to the Columbia River.

I expect to send this by the English Ship of War Sulphur and I hope to be able to send by her a few bundles and letters which came to hand by the Fama.

It is I suppose contrary to the regulations of Ships of war to carry freight, and it is on this and other accounts impracticable to send your goods now. I am sorry they did not arrive in season for the vessel in which Mr Hall took passage. I hope an opportunity will offer in the fall. We shall comply with your wishes heretofore ex-

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Levi Chamberlain in Honolulu to:

1. Spalding, Whitman & Assoc., June 8, 1839 (imperfect copy)
   2 mss pp

2. Eells, Rev. Cushing, Aug. 8, 1839

3. Whitman, M., August 12, 1839

This is to certify to all whom it may concern that the Revd A. O. Spaldings and Sister Mercies Whitman mentioned in the Document on the other side are at present at Fort Vancouver this 10th Sept 1836

John McLoughlin
Chief Factor
H B C Co

Vancouver Sept 19th 1836.

Rev Harvey Bingham

Dear Brother

In the Providence of God we are brought into circumstances which bring us into your vicinity. We have been mercifully carried through our journey, & are all here at present. The ladies will remain here for a time, perhaps for the winter. We have not yet explored our location. We find it difficult to obtain labourers here, & Doctor McLoughlin advises us to send for three Natives of the Sandwich Islands. We contemplate two stations & on that account would like 6 men with their families. We want you to do us the favour to procure that number of good faithfull men & send them by the first opportunity, probably in March.

Capt McLaughlin will write their Agent at Oahu to furnish us with any thing their Ships can contain. We would like them to bring families if possible, that is their wives. Let them come here & Capt McLaughlin will forward them to us. We are anxious to obtain Ships, & Capt McLaughlin proposes that we obtain as many as can be sent from the Islands, & wishes to share with us. Any number from 50 to 200 would be acceptable. We would like to have you obtain some & forward to the care by the first convenient opportunity. A convenient opportunity may be had, by the return of the Ship next summer, that brings timber from here to Oahu. Your experience will suggest the best method for the payment, for any thing we may find it necessary to order from the Islands. We may often find it necessary to send particular things through you. We have taken the liberty to order our letters & packages to your care, which we wish you to forward. Mr Bruner tells us Mrs Bingham's health is impaired. We think a visit here would be favorable to invalids as we shall be above the lower country. We should be happy to receive a visit from any of your number, particularly from your invalids who may wish to retire to a cool & healthy retreat.

Yours in bonds of Christian
affection & Brotherly Love
Marcus Whitman
Henry H Spalding
Wm H Gray

Letter from Dr. Whitman & others with a copy of Permit from the War Department to reside in the Indian Country. Sep. 19 1836

Rec.d Dec. 23 1836.

War Department
Office Indian Affairs
March 3rd 1836

Sir

At the request of the Revd Dr Greene of Boston I enclose to you a passport for yourself and Doctor Marcus Whitman to reside in the Indian Country among the Flat Head and Nez Perces Indians

Very respectfully,
Your humble Servt
Signed, Elbert Herring

Revd
Stanley Hedding
St Louis
Missouri

The American Board of Foreign Missions have apprised the Department that they have appointed Doctor Marcus Whitman and Revd Henry Spalding both of the State of New York, to be Missionaries and Teachers to reside in the Indian Country among the Flat Head and the Spokan Indians.

Observing the design of the board, these Gentlemen are permitted to reside in the Country mentioned, and I recommend them to the Officers of the Army of the United States, to the Indian Agents, and to the Citizens generally, and request for them such attention and aid as will facilitate the accomplishment of their objects and protection should circumstances require it. Given under my hand and the seal of the War Department this first day of March 1836

Signed Lewis Cass

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Whitman and others, to Rev. H. Bingham,

Sept. 19, 1836 (3 mss pp)

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4 the Board should see
sent by the Board I hope
not stop on account of
been written during or
Annual Meeting of this mission
We have important interest which
would be greatly aided by such a visit
I would be glad to say more upon
the point contained in your letter about
filling out to the Methodist but
time fails me as I must send at
once
With best wishes & prayer to Mrs C
in which Mrs Winks

I am Dear Sir
Yours Truly
Marcus Whitman

Marcus Whitman
July 25 1842
Gr Wereus
Octr 29th
Ann: Apl 5 1843.

Geo. Abernethy Esq
Honolulu.
Oahu.

Philadelphia July 25th 1842

Levi Chamberlain Esq

Dear Brother

Your letter of 11th March was duly received The goods specified in the invoice were safely landed at Vancouver & most of them came safe by the Brigsoe

I am glad to have Mother Ann & Miss Smith have improved in health We should be most happy to see them back here again if it could be so We want help more than we can tell I hope the Sandwich Island mission will not get its influence through too

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the course of trade in this country
but I think any one who may come
will have to contend with the
company

I would be happy to give you
full account of the efforts of the Catholic
Priests but must confine myself to
the fact that on his return in June
through this country he was
ordered by the Indians & others
to leave them not to have us
He has promised another visit to them
when he may do more than at this time
Mr Platt & Family are with us & expect to
be detained for the winter He is anxious
to return but is detained by the state
of Mrs Platt for the present
He is anxious to do what he can to assist
in counteracting the Catholick forces at
the Islands It is with great concern
we have learned the Measures of the
French Government at the Islands
We cannot yet see what is designed
in the Providence of God in permitting
the truth to be mutt & contested

of Slavery, We can have no doubt as to the
[illegible] of this government so that we need not
be alarmed

the nights are now very cold so that
the frosts are, we shall soon close in
the morning but this shall enjoy it
much

Yes Whitman ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ love to Mrs
Chamberlain & yourself

Yours Very Truly
Moses Whitman

M. Whatman Esq.
Vancouver
Dec. 16-1839

Acknowledge
July 13/840

Rec'd from Henry P. Judd
Dec. 5, 1921

In the Chronicle

Copied

Honolulu Oct 17th 1839

(1)

Rev. Chamberlain

Honolulu

Dear Brother

Yours of Feb. 23 & August 12th are before me for which I am much obliged. Mr Douglass has informed me of the arrival of Goods designed for this station of which you sent us bill of lading.

I think we shall find it convenient to obtain some supplies from you as you advise at least for the present until a regular trade is established in this country. At present most of our supplies are obtained at the advantage from the H.B.C. as they can forward them to us better than any body else an object of great moment to us. We are now in doubt what will be

(2) so as not to be obliged to remove

The passage of Joseph & wife amounts to £12 sterling which I expect to pay.

We have just learned that there are two Catholick Priests passing down the Ohio River to meet us. They have come with the company's Express across the mountains from Pittsburg. I am not well informed as to where they locate, or what will be their course.

You must excuse me for not writing more fully, the circumstances of my family by the unusual pressure of business occasioned by so very long a stay at Pittsburg leave but little time for considering any thing.

I am Dear Brother
Yours truly
Richard Rigby

Mr Levi Chamberlain

Mr. Levi Chamberlain.

Honolulu.

Oahu.

Rec'd. Dorchester P. Judd
Dec. 5, 1931

Copied

(1)

Wiltsboro Oct 31st 1838

Dear Brother Chamberlain.

Your letter of Aug 8th was duly received, & also the proof sent us. Five of the six sheep reached here safe for which we feel very thankful as we have light.

The man & wife you spoke of also came safely & in health & good spirits. They are likely to be very useful to us & have begun to do good among the Indians. The health of the woman is much improved as you thought it might & she is now quite useful.

We get much valuable information from the Indians but still we cannot depend upon them for constant help. We must have some to assist us on whom we can rely without the fear of having them leave us in a moment unwarned. We think they will soon become somewhat settled. They have told me that this is the last winter they are to wander & that next year they will cultivate potatoes sufficient to

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We committed them to the care of the Interpreter at Walla Walla who brought them to the lower prairie

But from his negligence & injuring their legs with cords (the were bound in canoes) them died after reaching Walla Walla. Only one boy is living

Dr Cudd has some more boys as he writes but ~~[illegible]~~ an opportunity will offer by which to send them before the Commissioner will send a vessel to the Islands with lumber & stock will return mostly light. We will endeavour to write you by the same opportunity when we shall be able to tell what we need better than we at the present. Probably we shall want but few ship days perhaps 15 or 20 have would like them old to be young Cows with the exception of one ~~[illegible]~~ labourer none need be sent us, until we write again. Dr McLaughlin has given us two Sandwich Islanders both of whom I have, as Brother Walker chooses to have none. I have also a fine boy from Vancouver the son of a Sandwich Islander by a native Woman. We do not expect ship by the Less Ship as she comes from England on account of the delay ~~[illegible]~~ is sent to the Islands. As you will plead ignorance to the order of Dr McLaughlin I do not tell Laughlin Esq Chief Factor Oregon order

X. In the hurt of bond
I remain Dear Sir your
Moravian Brother

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Wallula Oct 7th 1897

Lyon Chamberlain
Honolulu

Dear Sir

Yours of Aug 10th came to hand Sept 19th & although not officially notified by Dr McLaughlin of the arrival of the boat yet we have been so informed by others & as Mr Chambrain the gentleman in charge at Walla Walla is now at Vancouver with a boat to return we shall soon receive them. The Gentlemen of the Company are very prompt in forwarding supplies to us.

Our Methodist Brethren arrived safely & they must now have a heavy establishment. The minutes of your general meeting are received but from being many errors I have not read the whole. I am happy that you are so highly favoured of the Lord in your work. You are aware perhaps that I first visited the Rocky Mountains with Mr Parker which he came on to explore further I returned home to make arrangements for associates & to settle. We received no letters by land on the return of the expedition & as to the Mountains. The American Traders will not favour letters coming that way.

We take the Bunghom for Shipping business & in November 10th we sent out the ~~[illegible]~~ & ten offer this received Vancouver & Victoria & added a white man & forwarded them to my future. Having received Vancouver

(2) Brown & for that reason must not take one here.

We would like in your selection to have men whose wives would be able & willing to assist Mrs Whitman & if they were hired for that purpose it would be well.

If you stipulate a term of service let it be as long as possible that is if consistent from five to ten years.

We shall be in a situation to take good care of them by another year or when they arrive.

If you can judge what kind of men are honest & if they understand English a little it would be desirable.

If fifteen or twenty should all come except one or two seems could be sent at the same time, it would be well on account of having them come up from Vancouver at the same time

with the men.

With Christian affection
I am dear Sir
Yours truly
Marcus Whitman

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Mr Levi Chamberlain
Honolulu
Oahu

Samuel Northrop
Oct 16 1837
Rec'd and ans'd
Jan 29 1838

Willamette Oregon Territory Oct 16th 1839

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Levi Chamberlain
Honolulu. Dear Sir

Since I dispatched our letters for the Islands I have become acquainted with some things in regard to the two Sandwich Islanders we have, that induces me to desire you to send us two more their wives by first opportunity. The men we have were given us by Capt Maloughlin & one or both their terms of service expire next year & they will probably with us go home a course to which I shall not object as they have wives at home.

The Indians are constantly asking me to take some of their women & one asked liberty of me to do so, a few days since. But I replied he had a wife at

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Whitman, Marcus to Levi Chamberlain

1. Wiilitpoo, Oregon Territory, Oct. 16, 1837 (3 mss pp)
2. " Oct. 7, 1837(2 mss pp)
3. " Oct. 30, 1838 (2 mss pp)
4. " Oct. 17, 1839 (3 mss pp)
5. " July 25, 1842 (2 mss pp)

he want of an Indian. Perhaps I do not fully compre-
hend what you mean by independence of character
It seems to me that there can be no less independence
of character among any people. It is impossible to elevate
any one individual. It is impossible for them to withstand
the influence of the other people. If any one has any
thing he must regard it as common property
& thus they have no inducement to try to elevate
themselves. They are slaves in every sense of the word
slaves to their superstitions & slaves to one another.
If any one should make a profession to religion I
hardly know what he would do. He would require
much grace to bear up under the reproach that would
be sure to be heaped upon him. This people
hate to be reproved for their sins. They dislike the truth
of the gospel & they say why so few winters with us is
they do not like to be told they are wicked. I believe
after all they are very much like the whites. Not
much worse or much better & that it does not
require any greater energy of the Spirit to con-
vert them. Perhaps they have not as much selfishness
as the whites & not so much taint at concealing the
bad traits of their character & to help them on to show
themselves out fully they are far more indolent so that
they act out themselves more fully than they would if they
were more active.

It is quite a starving time with our Indians
this winter. If we did not employ them I know not what
would be done of them. It is true that they have come

horses they could kill & eat & they can get most pen
the pines & live upon it awhile It will barely sustain
life but not satisfy hunger We find it necessary
to make them pay for all the food they get pen as for
if we should feed them now they would depend upon
us always & not make any exertions to procure
food We hope it may have an effect to induce them
to cultivate the soil They might have in an abundance
food if they would only cultivate the soil If they would
spend as much strength in preparing ground for
themselves as they do in digging over our potato patch
ground they might raise quite a quantity of potatoes
With them the old saying is true that one bird
in the hand is worth two in the bush for in other
words they think a long time to wait for the corn
to grow

We have the Jesuits quite near us now They are doing
all they can to draw the Indians to them; They do not
succeed as well as we should expect they would knowing
the character of the Indians & the means they employ to
induce the people to come to them There is too much reason
in Catholic religion for it to take well with these Indians
We may expect that they will do as much as is necessary
for the glory of God & his name See all the movements
of the papist & the abuse which I receive from time
to time I try to feel as David did in regard to the
cursings of Shimai "Let him curse for God has
bidden him" It is try a consoling that thought
that God will be honored by the preaching of the

Elkanah Walker
Feby 8 1844
J. Brothers arr.
Aug. 1 1844
Answd. Sep. 14 1844

Levi Chamberlain Esq
Honolulu
Oahu

(1) Carefully inclosed are cash to the amount of one
dollar which you will please to expend for me
to wit the immediate payment of my labors in my
present
Work
I am in want of a hymn book and hand with my compliments
that I shall be completely to make you a present which
will be of more use to me than the money. Our
Kind regards to Mrs C & family
Yours truly
Elkanah Walker

Our family is now in a pretty good state of health
which we have been favored with for some time
If you can find me a pair of shoes suitable for a
man of this size & cost 5 dollars I should be most obliged to you
No. 5. Mat Walker writes in the country
you will find enclosed the dollars & wishes

Copied Walker

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Thimakain Feby 8th 1844

Levi Chamberlain Esq
Honolulu

My Dear Brother

It is said of me by some that I am a faithful correspondent But I think you will doubt the correctness of this remark My conscience often ~~reproaches~~ ~~upon~~ reproaches me for my neglect & did I obey its dictates in this as well as in all other matters I should be a better & more faithful correspondent & live more of the religion I profess

Your last letter dated the 4th April was received in July It would have been answered one this if I had not been so busy about fishing my new house &c I was called away from home much last fall & in addition to that I have had a severe fit of sickness which confined me to the house since six or eight ~~weeks~~ weeks I have hardly been able to write much since I It is expressly hard work for me to confine myself any length of time now to writing without feeling its effects upon me I find it necessary to be moving about as much as I can You will excuse me if I should be more brief than common

I fully agree with you that the heart of this people is the same as the heart of Islanders & the same power that can subdue the heart of an Islander can subdue

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in the way of them more usefulness & that of the
Mr Gray is a valuable member of the Assem if
he could be contented to do more & permanent
good & there is no one in the Assem that can be more useful
I would say in regard to this case as all other
let Providence direct

There appear to be some management to keep
that the Assem will be the means of good then
even I think that truth is making more impression
upon the minds of the people that there is less
of worldly speculation among them & they begin
to understand better the object we had in assembling
among them but we know that appearances in
heathen lands are deceptive & to appreciate them aright
rightly is no easy task We should not be too
sanguine or too disheartening The promises of God
are sufficient to lead us to expect that this would
will produce impressions & abiding impressions

We feel that this Assem is of great importance
& that it should be sustained & made efficient
that the spiritual interest of the ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ part
of this country depends much upon this Assem &
had Mother Paris concerted herself with it it
would have been added much to it as it is.
very probable that it will be attended by men from
the Southern & western States one whom he would have
more influence than a northern man would

There can be but little doubt but I have written
too strongly in some of my letters to the Islands

in regard to the reinforcement ~~[illegible]~~ drawing
at the Sandwich Islands I do say that I felt very
much that my feelings were very strongly enlisted
subject & I did think that your Mission had
slipped a little out of the way & felt very much
gratified by your letter to Mr Rells in which you
stated that you advised them to go on the first
opportunity & think had your Mission as a body
done this some they would not have ~~[illegible]~~ remained
at the Islands or hope for expansiveness if nothing
more the Board will not sustain their decision & I am
yet to be convinced that the broad offence of their
decision

It offended us much pleasure to learn that your
health was so much improved & we hope it will
continue to improve until it becomes confirmed
My own health is not very good but I think it is
some improved I situated as we are without a very
good knowledge of the language & no printed book
& no one on whom we can depend for the least assistance
makes an attention very unpleasant if one
are in ill health If ever we need to be active it
is now as the Romans are coming in. like a flood
Rev Dr Smith who is at the head of the Presbyt Mission
in the Hot land country has recently started for the
states & is expected out next year with a large reinforce
ment to recruit all the openings in the country &

we hoped soon to effect them now as they
have promised to the Indians they should
a band of first sixty miles from us We have
related some among them in order to make as
favorable impression of them as they could and
first told them (as it is reported) that in more ways
one that we had the same book that we the white
men were first that we knew the most & that
they (the Indians) ought to regard what we say
He can be any thing but as circumstances offer
I had some conversation with on the language
He remarked that as our belief was the same in
regard to the Trinity (he thought we had better
adopt one common phraseology. He gave me some
of his phrases & my knowledge of the language
would not allow me to adopt them. Instead of the
word which means Spirit & pointing the Deaf
word which means holy he has taken the word which
means wise in Indian & calls it Spirit & one yet
to be common that we might to know words from
him He was the first in the field & we shall have
our night to make our own work We had rather
keep as distinct from them as we can & not adopt
any of their terms as the Indians will be likely to attach
different ideas to them

Kind regards to Mrs Chamberlain in which Mrs
Walker joins & earnest prayers for your
success. Yours truly & affy

E Walker

but they would not stay to let one of them
die without bringing the aid of their men & have
made a much longer story of this than I intended
when I commenced. If your patience is wearied in
reading it you will pardon me as you are doubtless
aware how much and how strongly I feel in the way
of their receiving the truth & what obstacles it
has to encounter.

But I suppose you will expect that I should say
something about the state of things in this Mission
since I have heard the results of your
last meeting & we hope much good will come
out of it. The state of things in this Mission has
been long disjointed. But it will take some time
before every thing will be just as it should be. It will
require time for the tardy growth of confidence
& Notwithstanding this is a plant of so tender
a nature still it is one we are slow to
cultivate. It is one too of so delicate nature that the
least breath of frost will cause it to wither & die
But still we hope we shall be able to cultivate
it here & that when it becomes acclimated it will
flourish.

Perhaps on the whole we are now in a
better state than at the commencement. There is some
reason to expect that Mr Spaulding will leave the Mission
We should be glad to retain him if he could be
contented to stay consistently with the duty of all
considered that if he cannot do it is better that
he or any one should leave than that they should

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they are in all their native nudeness being overlooked by whites? I think there can be no doubt but these Indians are as degraded as any race of the human kind found on earth as superstitious & as really idolatrous. Their confession shows us this. They say the Ten commandments just hit them: that the commandments take away all their hopes of life. It seems to me but very little use to set before them the love of Christ until they are instructed what the law demands. They seem often to feel that Christ ought to die for them as they are very miserable & that the whites ought give them a "day of things." They have nothing & the whites have enough & that it is nothing more than just that they should be taught. If they ever express any feelings at all on the subject it is that they are glad but never return thanks to any one for any favor they may have received.

So far as I have been able in imparting instruction to them I have made it my main object to bring the law home to bear upon their consciences; not by any means neglecting the gospel. It is necessary that they should understand that there is no escape from the curse of the law. But the greatest difficulty is to bring them to feel that they are guilty for may convict them of wrong but to convict them of sin is quite another thing. Think of the force of truth is lost upon them by the fact that they feel that they are innocent & not only this but but that

what we say they regard as the manners & customs of another people. If they are told that such and such things are forbidden by the word of God they reply only our ~~that~~ is the peculiar practices are different & we must do as we always have done. If we do not we shall be laughed at & we shall be ashamed & not dare to go among the people. They can always find some means to destroy the force of truth upon them. They have much more fear of man than of God. They appear to feel that their ordinances are of equal authority with the commands of God. This results from the belief that their medicine men have a sort of inspiration & words are addressed to them concerning things which will take place.

Perhaps you would be interested in a short account of the manner in which their medicine men are made. In fact they have medicine women & well as men. No one can become a medicine maker after he has arrived at the age of maturity. When at the age of ten or twelve they are sent into the mountains & there remain till morning. In the mean time a bird or some other animal will appear to them & tell them what they will have power over. Some will be able to cure one kind of disease & some of another & some will be able to tell what persons have lost their spirits & they can be brought back. By these means & this is not an uncommon practice with them especially in the winter. Most if not all the conclusions of lost spirits are made in dreams. If a medicine man dies

that a person has cast his spirit. There is no safety for him only in having his spirit caught & given to him. They have full confidence in dreams. I am acquainted & many relate the history of the Fellows house. One of these mediums men dreamed that his house was burned & the had hardly finished telling his dream when they heard the cry of fire. They said they were confident that if they had plaged the medium off it, it would not have been burnt. I. you see that they think they have some claim to hold on to these superstitious notions.

Perhaps you may think that what they say about the love of God — is sufficient to overbalance all this but it is not a common acknowledgement with them that the law destroyes all their hopes of life & perhaps my remarks is stronger than they would have to know that was latter the idea in my mind than I suppose they have in their own for I suppose they would not admit to admit so much. They would be doubtless think of the law condemns them but then relief as they are a different kind of people it is not penalties will not be inflicted upon them. But I hope some no other evidence to believe that God is God & that he is no respecter of persons. They at least some of them are willing to admit the agency of God when there is nothing to alarm their fears. But let sickness come & they feel that their greatest safety is in trusting to the medicine men. They may say the least confidence in the medicine men

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Tshimakain Sept 6 1842

Levi Chamberlain Esq
Honolulu

My Dear Brother

Yours of July 10 1841 was received last December & I am under great obligation to you for the information it contains. I must confess that I have been too long neglecting to answer it. Perhaps you are not fully aware the difficulty in our way of being prompt correspondents. One thing which has caused me to delay so long was the uncertainty that a letter of mere ordinary length as yours demanded an answer of no ordinary kind & I could not make up my mind to give you one of my off hand letters. You will allow me to say that it was the most interesting letter I have received since I have been in the country. It was just what I wanted to read. You will not understand me as saying this to flatter you or as an excusement for my neglect but to show you although you will be alone as far as our correspondence is concerned you will have the consolation of doing good to a fellow being, according to the laws of benevolence & doing good to ourselves.

It would be interesting to me to know what idea the analyzed would have of these Emblems. Whether they would think a superior race of the Red man or whether they think

* You make use that I have

which the Mormon has become plunged will never be known until the judgement shall reveal it

The members of the mormon as a general thing enjoy their accustomed health My own is much improved My associate Mr Ellis is not so vigorous as formerly He has become rather nervous If you ask the cause I will say, think that a number of causes have produced it but is he has been very much occupied in building him a house & has labored too hard Another is he has been reading Dr Alcot & has changed his diet adopting one not sufficiently nourishing for one of his temperament ~~He is opposed to the Graham system & opposed to the doctrine of eating the mere unimproved food God gives us~~

We are disappointed in not receiving our supplies from the States as usual It has been more than a year since there has any come into this country for us Is so with you?

I have to ask for a few things which we can not obtain in this country I should like

62½c	2	doz	Buckles (of all sizes)
1.16	1		Even Pointed Gloves Pencil with a good supply of pens
65	1		Good Pocket Knife
1,60	1	pair	Men's ~~[illegible]~~ Pumps or Shoes Kid or Calf size No 9
28c	* Morocco would be preferred		
	A few hundred of		Matches
1.25	1		American Axe (about two thirds the size of common axes) for traveling The size of

the Rev Mr Hall sent Dr Whitman would please
me if by addition to these a proper of nails the
size of the one inclosed in a letter larger — 10 cts
Two small sizes Patent Gimblets — 10 cts
If you can obtain the above mentioned articles for
me it would be a great favor I would add
Shoemakers Awls & Thread — 10 cts
You will please to excuse this hasty note Mrs C & yourself
I unites with me in kind regards Mrs C & yourself
I remain Yours
In the bonds of Gospel
E Allen

Elkanah Walker
Jany 20 1845.
rec.d per Chenamus
May 25 1845.
answ.d Coll. same.

Levi Chamberlain Esq
Oahu
Honolulu

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Cimakain Lang 20th 1845

Levi Chamberlain Esq

My Dear Sir

I believe I wrote you since I received a letter from you I will try & make up a short note to go to Vancouver by this express notwithstanding I am overburdened with labor I cannot give you much account of the state of things in the Mission I think I can say one thing to make you glad that is that peace harmony & brotherly love ~~abounds~~ exists among all the members of the Mission So far as I know & can judge we see pretty well eye to eye If there is any difference of opinion among us there is much confidence in each other that we feel assured that all are desirous of doing right that we do not all look at these things in our own but at the things of another I believe the mission is as efficient as it can be considering the number of its members & besides it has to contend ~~against~~ enemies It should not be expected that there are to be reversals among these nations as there are many heathen in the islands of the sea for prophecy is very full on this point & the prospects are ~~[illegible]~~ in regards to the inhabitants of the islands of the sea But still the influence of the mission is good & is doing more good than was visible at first sight perhaps more than it is proper to speak of at present Some good

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Walker, Elkanah to L. Chamberlain

1. Cimakain, Jan. 20, 1845 (3 mss pp)

2. Tshimakain, Sept. 6, 1842 (8 mss pp)

3. " Feb. 8, 1844 (4 mss pp)

H. H. Spalding
Octr 10 1843
Recd Ft Vancouver
Decr 27th 1843.
Answd March 15 1844.

Dr Marcus Whitman's
first party.

Levi Chamberlain Esq
Honolulu
Sand. Islands

Recd. from Henry P. Judd
Dec. 5, 1931

whom the Dr. & hopes will come over next year.

Our Mission had been reduced in ctrs but probably never was in a more flourishing state than at present. I have time to speak only of this station & that briefly. It is due to the grace of God to state that the cause of religion & civilization has steadily advanced from the beginning beyond the most sanguine expectations of the first missionaries. We have had dark days & discouraging events, but I think they were more the want of faith & steady perseverance on our part & no more & perhaps not so much as occurs in most missions especially in the Sing. Chinese, Cyclones, Typhoons, Constantinople & nearly all the eastern missions, & should more have caused discouragement. But at the beginning nothing could have made me believe that in 6 years we should see what through the astonishing goodness of God we actually behold.

School –

For the last 4 years the school has steadily increased in ch & just in proportion as the house room was furnished for it & advanced in learning to read & write their own language. Last winter it ctd over 300 most of the time & for several of the last weeks 340 – daily attendance including most of the chiefs & principal men of the nation & crowding the school house above & below so overflowing & nearly every other room – the house. Probably half of the school consists of adults. The two thirds of the school print their own books with the pen. The first class formerly on their copies, the 2nd from the books of the 1st Dec or. The lessons are translated & furnished for some time. Perhaps 1/6 of the school can read & spell any thing furnished them – their own language. The chiefs govern the school

A house is in progress 30 x 50 which by the blessing of God we hope to finish this fall, & will doubtless quarter in large the school & serve as a house of worship. Br & Sister Littlejohn were with us for a few to stay while they were to visit Br Walker on his house, & returned in a day or two. Br L left last week for Philadelphia to make arrangements for return to the State in which case Sister L may come with us till his return & of able assist in the school.

Church

For several winters past God has shed down his spirit & several have passed from death to life we trust. Last summer 11 including the principle chief of the Kaynse tribe, were added to our church who have been on trial 2 & 3 years. Last winter the glorious work of God appeared more extensive & genuine than at any former period, the subjects clearly showing more knowledge of divine truth. Several hundred & perhaps a thousand publickly expressed a hope that God had delivered them from the bondage of sin, & determined to devote themselves to his service. Out of all these however only some 50 or 60 have been selected & often examined & a number proponded as candidates for church membership at some future time. The Lord only knows their hearts. It is a most fearful step to proceed either to receive or not receive a supposed heathen convert into the church of the living God. Oh how much wisdom from above is needed in such an hour. The sabbath congregation as also the school increases or rather becomes more permanent every winter for 6 or 7 months in proportion as the quantity of grain raised in this vicinity yearly increases. It is quite probable that for many years at least what is done in the way school teaching especially, & preaching may be added, must be

(2) done during the 6 or 7 months of cold season, partly because much of the missionaries time during the remainder of the year is taken up in looking after his earthly affairs, & partly on account of the great heat but more especially because the people must continue to resort to their hunting grounds, fisheries &c for a part of their subsistence till they can obtain ploughs &c from some source in sufficient store by which to obtain an adequate supply of food from the soil. Ploughs are eagerly sought after by the people. Last spring a trader spent a few weeks in this vicinity in pursuit of Beaver & only obtained one Otter. The Beaver were & are still all in reserve for ploughs &c."

"Last year about 120 families cultivated from 1/4 of an acre to 5 acres each, about half cultivated in this valley. This year I think the crops have increased. Last year one of the members of the church raised 176 bushels of peas 100 bush of corn, some 400 of potatoes. Another raised 150 of peas, 160 of corn, squashes, potatoes, melons &c. The principal chief 60 miles from this place raised more than either of the above, but I know not how much. Some 40 other individuals raised from 20 to 100 of various kinds of grains, besides potatoes &c. This year I have not yet ascertained the quantities but judge from the appearance of the crops that it is considerably increased. They now display considerable taste & economy in cultivating their little farms. There are now some 40 head of cattle among this, & many more among the tribe. The Indian agent (Dr. White) visited us last winter as also last May, & introduced a simple code of laws which seem to have a good effect as yet but I know not what the end will be. The Lord give us great wisdom & bless his work among these Indian tribes, that his Holy Spirit may continue to have an powerful mission, & thus the Gospel

Oregon Oct 10, 1843 (2)

for a week exhausted hands at once, then requiring con-
stant attention. However I was in a few days able to render (4)
some assistance, & a week of Regina Rapper seemed at once
to arrest the dreadful disease in the children, & by the as-
sistance of the men left by Mr Walker we were able to get on
till the first of Oct when watches were dispensed with, & now
the little children are playing out of doors & Mrs S able to sit
up a half hour at a time, & myself able to look after the af-
fairs of the Station which have fallen greatly in the rear.
We have not yet heard from Mrs Eells, but expect intelligence
every hour. Dr Whitman who left for the States last Oct, was
blocked up & lost in the California mountains, & did not
reach Boston till April, consequently did not have time
to collect a colony of prime settlers for this country (as he
had simply obtained the consent of the Board to form such
a settlement, & the rescinding of the vote to give up this
part of the mission & a resolve to reinforce the mission
as soon as men passing the Indian massacre very spirit
can be found. But I fear some will very soon be found as
foreign missions are much more popular at the present
day & it is pretty well ascertained that the Indian missionary
servant class is obliged to spend more or less of his time
in hard labor for the settlement & civilization of the nation
& his own subsistance. Besides our prince is becoming very
prevalent, but I am sure never originated in Heaven, that the
Indian race is destined to be annihilated. But the Dr will probably
be returned immediately, & overtook the emigrants on the
frontiers & conducted them through with 130 or 140 waggons &
large droves of cattle, all bound for the lower country. This so
that there is an open passage for carriages to this country
will be of great importance to the colony of prime settlers

Myself, Mrs Appleby & our two children, & the entire family are just recovering from severe sickness through the astonishing goodness & mercy of God. Mrs B. case especially is a most marked instance of God's interposing mercy. She was taken with fever the last of a day & after the fever was broken on the 11 of Sept her distribution was thought to be nigh. She though herself dying her limbs became cold. She was perfectly happy. Her faith was triumphant. She parted with her little children in entire joy & perfect confidence & simplicity for the night. Letters were sent to Kinmaken 140 miles, & Wellington 130 for the brethren to come & attend the funeral. But about morn her limbs became warm. This was on Monday & for the next 12 days every moment was expected to be her last. During most of this time her mind was wandering, & her nervous system uncontrolable. On Wednesday night my own strength entirely failed, having not slept a minute I believe for the 8 days & nights previous by reason of my own sickness & anxiety & care for my wife, that night about 2 o'clock I staggered from the bed side of my dear wife leaving brother Litchfield with her, to the room some 18 rods distant where Sister Litchfield was taking a few moments rest, & this I could not do no longer. I scarcely left my bed only as I was taken out for the next 13 days, expecting every time the door was opened to hear that my dear wife was no more, that I had accompanied her as near the Heavenly gates as earth can be permitted mortals to go, & could not wish her back after she had encountered the trials & temptations of this vale. I waited the message with calmness. Mr Geyer who is in charge at Vineland came on Thursday & a most timely

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relief to sister L. As of to that time had had the whole responsibility of administering medicines, preparing gruels &c &c & had nursed her apparently dying patient, often I think 20 hours out of 24, with a tender watchfulness & a quick anticipation of her every want that perfectly astonishes one, & I cannot but see in it the kind hand of our Heavenly Father stretched out — almost a miraculous manner to sustain her, through her indescribable labors & cares. Mr Geiger has had some experience in medicine, & of no common good judgment & what was of the more consequence at that time in the best nurse I ever saw for a man. Br Littlejohn had to look after the children & do the cooking &c, (we have no help) & sat up more or less every night. Br Walker arrived on Friday 25th with a man who took charge of the kitchen & she with himself watched with me till I began to amend. Mrs S requiring two almost constantly to watch over & attend upon her, I continued in my weakened & sinking state with same fever, pain in the heart with times of severe palpitation till after Br Walker arrived who brought medicine that gave relief to myself as also to Mrs S. on fourth on the 25 Sept Dr Whitmer arrived having met a letter some 150 miles from this place, urging him if on his way to this country to come to our relief without delay. The letter was started from this place 10 days before he left the company of emigrants of 1000 whom he was piloting to this country, some 70 miles from this state & came directly here without passing by it, but finding Mrs S & myself on the recovery he left with Mr Geiger the next day for Washington, & ordered Br Clinkenbeard to attend upon Sister Eells ~~[illegible]~~ Br Walker left the same day. The children were the unwell, but the next day the scarlet fever declared itself & was soon then Sister Littlejohn had to go & was upon

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Clear Water Oct 10 1843 (1)

To Levi Chamberlain Esq
Honolulu

My Dear Sir

Will you have the kindness to send me the following articles & charge the same to our Mission if they should be in your Store. Viz

100 lbs best Brown Sugar, in two native sacks of 50 each bound into one piece with some coarse cloth as the sacks are liable to be broken on the stones or horses if the sugar wasted & 100 lbs is a piece for asking

2 Kegs of Molasses 9 gallons each one of them if convenient syrup.

20 lbs Arrow root. } quantity of chocolate as we have used
10 .. Salaratus } among all you can spare our sick men

2 pr Ladies shoes common, of the length of the longest thread.

2 pr Girls length of shortest thread.

2 American axes. 1 doz sack plain

20 lbs Shingle nails 20 penny & 6 lbs double tens

2 sand boxes. 2 Bleeding lancets

1 large Syringe if the two last mentioned articles ~~are not~~ obtained without inconvenience. as we have suffered much in our last sickness for want of them. My only lancet I broke some time since & can not obtain one at Vancouver or Willamette. 1 ounce of Sponge

60 yds of cheapest calico.

3 Stone Jars of 1 gl, 3 gl & 4 gl } H. H. Spalding

Will Mr. Chambulain have the goodness
forward the inclosed letters for the States by
the first opportunity.

I oblige your friend

W. Mc Spalding

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I am happy to hear from Mr & the Board that weaving materials are on their way to us. I hope they will arrive soon. Mrs Spalding has returned a skein of yarn to card & spin, so that they are prepared for the loom. I have made one loom & we a reed of elder, but the latter answers a poor purpose, though some 20 or 30 yards have been woven in it, but with great labor. The girls are much pleased with the loom & are applying themselves diligently out of school hours in preparing yarn against the arrival of the promised reeds.

I have no time to write a letter which will give you any idea of the prospects of the tribes among whom we missionaries are now located as they are developing themselves at present. I should feel myself unable.

Dr Whitman will doubtless write respecting

of the Lazarists himself & Mr Gray have received from the Italians. In consequence of this difficulty I am more than ever anxious the Bishop to come. I hope the Lord will give us wisdom to do this holy work in this trying time. But now the people are quiet there. I think the discussion of our friend Mr Hinckley at Fort Wallla Wallla has done much to cool the hot blood of these savages so lately threatening death. & they went down to show the Fort the other day, they found Mr & Mr. H. nearly & perfectly willing to fight. Their hearts met with a change immediately. & some of them I believe became very religious. At my station every thing is very quiet & has been since last summer. Last winter there was much trouble & some distruction of property occasioned by a bad man from the state of Virginia who has spent years enough in the mountains to lose all sense of right. I fear we shall meet with considerable trouble in future occasioned by worthless white men & the Catholic Priests.

I hope to write you more full soon. May the Lord give us grace to do & suffer his holy will. With best wishes for himself & yours I am as ever yours truly H. H. Spalding

H. H. Spalding
Fr Barque Columbia
Jan. 25 1842.
Ans.d Feby 23/42.

Mr Lowe Chamberlain
Honolulu

Waikapu Oct 13 1853

To Mr Levi Chamberlain
Honolulu

My Dear Sir

will you have the goodness to send by first opportunity the following articles provided they can be spared from your store without inconvenience viz

40 lb. Nails Eightpenny
20 " " Tenpenny
30 " Double lens
10 " Sixpenny
2 Axes. 1 Jack plane Double iron
1 Set Match planes, mch
1 Box window Glass 7 x 9
1 Pen knife. 1 Paper cutter, 1 Sand box
3 Ladies Hair combs. 3 Girls "
3 pr shoes for Girl 6 x 6 years old
3 " " Child 3 x 4 years old.

must be settled. Efforts to civilize must go hand in hand with efforts to evangelize. In doing this I am collecting around me a little settlement which is promising an increasing call to attend constantly upon the preached word every sabbath & sometimes every evening of the week, & also an increasing opn also attending regularly our school. In doing this I consider I am by the blessing of God, throwing in before this tribe the means of a future existence. For several reasons which I have not time to enumerate, this & also other neighboring tribes are fast diminishing. But one principle reason is these present means of subsistence are fast disappearing & will disappear later when the country begins to be settled. In my opinion if this mission does not give the settling of the nations a prominent place in their efforts to benefit them, they have only to prepare funeral sermons for this or next for the coming generation & go home.

Consequently I have from year to year asking limited means wherewith to erect permanent houses & fences & plough for horses which I hope to exchange into the hoe & country for an increased annuity from to be turned down into hoes, & so on in a very humble way that I expect in a few years instead of being an expense

to the station will do much to support it.
I have also during the past winter built a saw mill & flour mill both which are about ready for running. The flour mill has cost me about as much as the flour I got from Colville for two years. The saw mill has the cost of getting of getting boards sawed with a pit saw sufficient for buildings. Both mills will be of great service to the Mission especially to this station, & of incalculable service in settling the people. They are building by a man whom the Lord seemed to send for that purpose. He arrived here over the ally last fall perfectly destitute. He had no means to get here & would have suffered had I turned him away. I set him at the mills, & he has done extremely well.
Here I must close this subject & also my letter by saying the Lord in great mercy permitted us to receive two natives & an American into our little church last Ch's. They appear well & others give evidence of a work of grace in their hearts, but we wish to be cautious. May the Lord permit us ere to see thousands, & for this we do most earnestly pray. May the great work with you continue till the whole population of those Islands become subjects of the grace of God. With kind & affectionate regards to yourself & family in which I am joined by Mrs S, I am
Your friend & brother Stephen Spalding

H. M. Spalding
Jan 9 1840
Ft Columbia

June 29 1840
Cannot July 4

Levi Chamberlain
Esq
Honolulu
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Please send me two pieces of
cotton sheeting & a little
more calicoes & a little
coffee & sugar & oil
and whatever you
think proper &c

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J. M. Shaw H. H. Spalding - Jan. 9, 1840 (9)

the idea that they are certain strange things designed for strangers living among them — in a strange manner; & taking the natural hint they would keep themselves aloof from the stranger. I do not say but, that, by such a course, a few as they passed occasionally from one hunting ground or fishery to another would come in contact with the words of life & be saved. but I think the ch would be small.

My little experience in the world not with Indians only, but with all men, convinces me that it is not the occasional, but the oft repeated & constant blow of the hammer that breaketh the flinty rock. If a benighted people grown up in ignorance & superstition are to be evangelized, in my opinion it can not be done while they are upon the wing, having a sermon only once in 9 or 12 months.

I can not now call an instance to mind. But admit a few are brought into the fold of Christ — how are they to hand down this rich blessing to coming generations? for surely no one will think of attempting to introduce a system of education among a people who are in one place only a week at a time. Are you fully convinced of this people are to be permanently benefited by the Gospel they

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worth to us $300.00. See remarks on Horses & mules below.

3rd Expense. See price of some things as given above. It should here be observed however that Co furnish us goods from their Stores at only 80 per cent on the London wholesale cost certainly not more than enough to pay expenses of transportation, insurance, storage &c. & freights which we highly appreciate. But our limited capital will not allow us to purchase English goods at this rate, when we can get American for two hundred to one hundred per cent cheaper. What per cent they add to their provisions I know not, probably only in the same ratio, but I am prepared to believe that we can produce them as cheap as stated many hundred per cent cheaper. See remarks below on the efficient means of benefiting this people for an answer to the question and I not departing from my appropriate work while giving attention to the means of a comfortable subsistence.

5th The relations of the country are not at all settled, it is for that day arrives we are informed by our chief that a war between G B & Ch may be the result. Then we will see the importance in that case of having the means of subsistence within ourselves, and if as we are from supplies of provisions from home, by the nature of the country.

6th & most important to my mind. The confidence a self supporting system will give provisions

can be conceived will have upon the natives. This so far as my experiment has gone has been like imparting the breath of life to a great company of dead corpses. While supplying myself with means of cultivating the land & producing provisions as above stated, the people have not been idle spectators. But a spirit of industry, ingenuity in cultivating little farms with very rude means, & an anxiety to settle have grown up & increases equaled only by their anxiety to learn of God. I have been able by a kind of exchange labor to give more or less instruction in cultivating the land, to distribute, hoes & seeds to a considerable extent, but not to an extent equal to the demand. The demand for hoes is extensive, more urgent & affecting. They ~~have~~ can be taken from the shop upon shares which they are just out, & I have not been able for want of means to obtain iron enough during the year to make a half supply of hoes. The consequence of this course, which I pursued immediately on learning the characteristics of the country & the wants of the people, is several hundred bushels of grain & potatoes were raised this valley last year by the natives, which left a much larger crop than usual around one fine water & filled the schools with some 100 children. Several detachs are digging this water for watering land & large quantities of land are preparing. Large stores are constantly all in & broke with the hoe. Cyrus is a pleasant

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By the blessing of God I think it will be said a good
proportion of the people, they have abandoned their wandering
ings for game, fish, & roots, & are debarking upon
the which their own lands produce. To live at a place or
Cage, have or rather sold & to two, cows & hope to increase
the off, every year, as my own may increase.
Had I taken the opposite course on reaching the country
lived in the open air, or in my Buffalo hoop till I
could have obtained a hell, at an
enormous expense, which might have put me upon
small or large house, as might be, in which I could have shut my
self away from the people except on occasions of reli
gious instruction showing myself either ignorant of
their wants & therefore not a competent guide, or regardless
of their wants & therefore not worthy of confidence: either
last conclusion would be greatly strengthened if not confirmed
by my having all my supplies of provisions & clothing
for some foreign land, always transported by foreigners
& in no case by natives, as I employed at all in case
could be given why they should not be employed to raise
provisions as well as transport them, unless we adopt
the doctrine openly we do not wish the people to become acquainted
with the way & means of supplying their wants from the
produce of their land, and to prevent this choose to obtain
foreign supplies & foreign servants though at incalcu
lable expense. These supplies to be shut up in a close
room to be seen by the natives only to mortify them as

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& cheaper in this country than in any Section of the States with which I am acquainted, & perhaps many hundred per cent cheaper than they can furnished us by their Co. & Providence has so arranged my circumstances, that, after I shall have prepared a comfortable dwelling for my family, with out houses, & a church & school-house suitable for efficient instruction, a very little of my time will seem to be required to oversee a little farm & sufficient for a comfortable support. And in bringing with substance those means of subsistance in this barren land, has the money of the Board been laid out as judiciously as the circumstances of a strange country & especially of this country so far removed from the sources of civilization, would admit? For example my cattle which last cost about $3 700.00, are now worth $7500.00, the labor & milk of the cows & work of the oxen having more than paid the cost of keeping. The sheep which we had the hardness to procure & forward as mentioned on the passage or from the effects of the passage, the one ewe of the first 11, & three of the last flock have died. The flock now number 19 with 8 ewes, which produce lambing regularly twice a year. 7 lambs have been killed by dogs & wolves, & 3 old sheep by accidents. Had all lived the flock would now have been 33 or 34 from one ewe two years & a half & three ewes one year & half, including 3 divisional males. The flock is now

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or less in coming up the Columbia as we saw the case matter packed in water tight cases & boxes. Few of the kettles were broken doubtless at the portages on the C R or the carriers getting of the load drop from their shoulders or head, for the most convenient way to unload themselves.

The articles you forwarded are invaluable to us, some of them are not to be obtained at Vancouver. The iron pots especially should be noticed for the great convenience & cheapness over their equivalents in this country. For example, a Tin kettle of the size of the 9/ pot will cost about $3.00 a copper kettle of the same size about $11.00. The transportation of the iron ware can be but little more than the copper as it is only a trifle heavier.

If you are at liberty to furnish us goods from your store which can be charged to our account, it will be a great favor to us to get some things of you as will appear from the annexed estimate of prices as well as from the fact that some things we need cannot be obtained at Vancouver. Winetown gloves each size at 27 cts a pair $2 p. Calico common 41 cts good shirting $5.40 per pc. I estimate at the rate of expense last known in Boston which was $5.40 p. 31 transportation 7 or about $2 a piece pr p 70 lb from Vancouver to Walla Walla & 3 from W W to this station. Please to inform me in your next the weight of a cwt box of the size last mentioned

from Boston to Stockbridge, for there I have
to carry them 27 cts per lb or about $36
p bbl for flour & $35 for corn meal including the
portage. other prices might be given, but the above
is sufficient to convince any reflecting mind
that, if for no other reason than economy we should
prefer some other source of supplies than the present, es-
pecially supplies of provisions. And now I have
recommended the way I may as well give you
(but not the public, neither do wish you to give
the public any thing I have said about the Catholic
priests in this country,) my present purposes by the
grace of God. Let me sing hosanna to promise, that ere
one half branch of the church in this country have not in the
least degree neglected their members farmers and
mechanics to aid us in our work. We have ever found the
gentlemen of the Co ready to favor us with supplies
for our stores & for our female schools,
& by these streams of conveyances, we could not
expect more favors for a father than we have
received from Dr Chalmers & the same can
be said of all the gentlemen of the Co with
whom we have had acquaintance. But my
present purpose is to become independent of the

(2) Co as soon as possible, so far at least as sup-
plies of provisions are concerned, & other supplies should
it be thought best every thing considered. stand for the
following reasons. First we were told at the beginning
of our shipwreck that the Co would most cheerfully
furnish us with provisions, not as a matter of trade
but as a favor the first two years when we must
endeavor to stand upon our own feet, & for the following
reason, that Colnett the only port in the interior where
provisions are produced to any extent, & the only one nearer
than Monterey, is obliged to supply the Co missions
on the coast throughout the interior with provisions to a
greater or less extent. This is all that could be expected
of our port certainly, especially if like C it was
liable to fail in its crops by drought. The last year
the potatoe crop & everything of a vegitable kind was
cut off by drought & 2/3 of the grains. Consequently
it was a great favor that the Co under these circum-
stances consented to furnish us with provisions during
two years, & hence the kindness in those who urged
us to take immediate measures to raise our own
provisions after the first two years.

3rd God in great mercy has so far blessed our labor
& efforts, that we now surround us in a good degree
with the means of a comfortable living & find that
the principle sources of subsistence, such as grains
vegetables, pork, beef, milk, butter &c &c, constitute a considerable reason

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Clear Water River Nov 7/40

To Mr Levi Chamberlain
Honolulu

Dear brother

I have had letter of Aug 10 by some to hand
dat 18 by with the bill of articles you had the
kindness to forward me. The Boxes with that pa-
ticular bill I have just come to hand containing the
following Viz

1 Bed tick	3 Butcher knives
1 Iron pot	1 — " —
1 do	1 Shoe — " —
3 Dos. Bowls	1 DO knives & forks
3 Chambers	10 Britta table spoons
1 pr women's shoes	1 Draw shave
2 do do	1 Vaper tacks
3 do Childrens do	

& fine plane for Mr Ellis

The 1 Do & 2 spoons may have been omis-
sed in packing as the Box did not appear to have
been opened, at least however we can not be certain.
But for no means give yourself any trouble about
them. If the Ginger bread in the box pro-
bably. Every thing in both boxes were wet more

the itinerating system & are passing through the whole country
& greatly to our surprise are seemingly aided by the A. S. B. If
not why do we meet with them at all the forts where they are
treated with the respect due to the disciples of Christ & are conveyed
from place to place in the Co's boats, upon their horses, sustained
at their forts, & in every sense of the word of their Co's apparently.
They have commended the Methodist Mission to them nothing to do
with the Chiloten & Canadian element. One of them has spent
most of the summer in the upper country professedly
among the servants of the Co, but really among
For some days past he has been preaching to the gentlemen at Walla Walla
Lewis out that he is the only man of God on this side of the
Mountains. Not we are false teachers. As a proof appears is that
being married. In reply an old chief whose present Mr Bingham
has put into black horse, asked Mr. How he came into the world
Allro says we have been here three years & still the people are wicked
but if they will come to hear him, he baptized & have no more
intercourse with us they will all go to heaven. He will give plenty
of beads by which they can always pray right. But the argument
by which he will do most mischief, & which he did not
bring over the mountains, is that is it clear we are false teachers
for if we were men of God we would lead & settle all the people
of the country & they would have no more excuse for themselves.
How many have been baptized I know not, or what the end will

he I know not. The hearts of all people are in the hands of the Lord. The prospects of our Mission aside from the Catholicism are not flattering. Though I have not admitted any to the church yet, many give pleasing evidence of being born again.
Some 90 or 100 families cultivated more or less in this vicinity the last year some have raised from 100 to 300 bushels of potatoes 50 of corn &c &c. I think the tide is about over with this people. They are making great preparations to irrigate & cultivate much more extensively the the past past season. God in great mercy hasten the time when the entire tribe shall be [illegible] the comfortable circumstances around our stations for an opportunity for instruction in the way of [illegible] which can never be the case as long as they remain in their present wandering wild state.
Sally accompanies [illegible] The States say that in all probability the [illegible] will take possession of this country for which will prove [illegible] for war between England & America. The Oregon [illegible] is likely to become an epidemic. Some [illegible] States [illegible] at different times to find their way to this country the last spring [illegible] 10 or 12 have been seen as low down as this. The rest turned back for the mountains. Several have gone to the lower country. Two have stayed with us for the winter to escape starvation. Two men with wives one a Cheyenne have arrived with the view to establish a self supporting mission without funds or resources at home. One of them is with Grant the other with me

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for the winter. Of course the attempt must fail. Will Bonder, Leon-
ing internals, & especially school books or means for producing the spring
esp of Ministers in this sandy plain?

Our Methodist brethren are expecting a large reinforcement by the
return of Rev Jesse Lee who was to sail for New York last month. He
& will probably be in the Bay some time in April. Providence permitting

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Rev. Geo. Pickering
Alexandria
Fairfax Co
Virginia

Transcriber
Mary Lane
Aug 11th 1959

It is thought best on the whole to let boxes come to Baltimore in
the care to your care, & be reshipped thence if necessary, for the returns
you. I feel under great obligations to you for your kindness
to us. Could it be trying too much for you should any
new difficulties in your new things we can not do & have the charge &
our missions? This however we leave to your discretion.
Mary & James in love to you & the children & friends. Yours in the Gospel

Clear Water Oct 7 1839

Truman Chamberlain Esq
Honolulu Oahu

My Dear Brother. Your kind letter of June 8 came to hand day 3d with many others from friends at home. The next day many others received by the Mountain Rout, with a later date by 6 months. I need not say we were highly delighted with the coming of Br & Sister Hall, who have been a source of great comfort to us by their prayers & godly walk. God increase the set to us by their prayers & godly walk. God increase the set of such spirits in every Mission. Mr Hall kindly carried & provided for us the first book in the native language. He doubtless informed you of his arrival at Banjuage. He, his wife & two children, journeyed up the Columbia to Walla Walla, & from thence up the Snake & Clear Water to this place, & have here enjoyed the summer. He, & spend the winter at Walla Walla with Doct Whitman for the benefit of Mrs Hall's health. We have just that your king has been compelled to pay to Gov of France $20000. This is great business for a great government, & argues that they are in want of money over the Atlantic. We are not without trouble with the Catholics. The two priests who arrived in this country last fall for Canada have applied

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of the kind in this country. 3 chamber vessels, expense to be had here, a bed pan for we are often alone and may be so when one of us is sick. 3 pr little shoes our little girl will be 2 years old — fall of 1899 let the smallest pair be for that age, the others larger. 1 pr the 2 thick ladies shoes largest size. I see a long time must elapse before you can receive any thing from a draft on the Hill. Perhaps your men or themselves would like for pantaloons, a lot of dressed deer skins. pr wear the altogether, are cool in summer & warm in winter. If you wish other sizes. our brethren flattered our hearts by the intelligence of many & extensive revivals in the states at the time they left. God grant that the wickedness of that land may be done away.

I know not but all the brethren & sisters of our mission are in good health,

Mrs S joins — love to yourself & family.

Your christian love yours

A B Shelby

H. H. Spalding
Per Capt Duncan
for Vancouver
July 25 1839

Mr Lorin Chamberlain
Honolulu

Capt. Duncan
July 25/39.

Baker

comes that once a year from Montreal while passing a rapids was upset & 12 souls drowned in the stream. 3 gentlemen, two of them botanists expecting to settle in the lower Columbia one of their wives a daughter of Geo Simpson, 5 children, & 3 men. By the express 2 Catholic priests have arrived at Vancouver designed for the settling on the Cowlitz, a tributary putting into the C R below Va from the W. Now we designed a location — a short time or rather — on Puyallup sound opening the way to our Lummi — Clallams, Jamaud a most important point. It is hoped you will lend a helping hand for us one few & that is done you can more done quickly. A few months & it may be too late. If any of your W I can make it effectual duty come by the next ship. Some of us will go with you.

May I take the liberty to ask for the following articles — case they can be obtained at your store & paid for by a draft on the treasurer of the Board. Viz 2 pr Sheep shears, wool cards, large spinning wheel, small spinning wheel for flax. 2 iron kettles or pots, one say 3 gal the other smaller, nothing but copper can be purchased in this country which is very costly & of short duration. 2 doz hoes for hoeing potatoes & smith, nothing

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liberated with two frenchmen & a boy who were with him, & furnished with a few poor horses upon which they subsisted till they reached Council Bluffs, 300 miles from the Sioux & 35 days. But here the gentlemen in charge refused to furnish any thing to eat till I was paid, fortunately Mr G had a little money which had escaped the eye of the murderers. He performed as at the head of the war-party of Sioux.

Rev Mr Smith is located with Dr Whitman. Mr Mc Gregor, Eells & Walker are located on the Spokan & some 130 miles E of this & 90 S of Fort Colville. Mr Grey with me. Other Mr Rogers a young man from Cincinnati who accompanied the party. Not having time to receive an appointment from the Board came on his own responsibility, & hired by me for $35 standing a good & promising & valuable helper. There should have been 5 farmers sent with the last reinforcement. But the Board know as little of the wants of this field as we do of their perplexities. We have raised this year with the help of a few natives 100 bushels of wheat, 60 peas, 100 corn, 20 barley, 20 oats, 18 buckwheat, 2030 potatoes & 20 carrots, beets, beans, & tobacco &c. We now have 19 head of cattle including 6 cows, 20 horses & colts, 25 or 30 hens & few stores. At our meeting last Sept the Mission resolved to build at this place being central a blacksmith shop, which is now in operation with a forge

anvil & bellows the latter made on the prairie of Buffalo
hides, a smith is at work. also a flour mill at the Nez Perce
station which is under way. We have lately completed a
school house 40 by 20 which must answer tolerably well
small for a place of worship till next season. When God
willing we hope to build with unburnt brick a church 100
by 40. The house which myself & one of Islanders with the help
of natives had blocked up we have about completed 32
by 22. 6 rooms on the under floor with 2 fire places, & on
the upper with 3 fire places, also a cook shop. A house for
the black smith & 2 for our children. Mrs S health
is much improved since our return from Fort Wit-
man & Walla Walla. While at Fort W. we held a protracted
meeting with the people to our great joy & edification. A catholic
who had been in the employ of the H B Co renounced his
confidence in that religion & giving evidence of a change of
heart, was admitted to our little church. And I do right in
baptising him, & did also do right in refusing a chief
gentleman of the Co who is a Catholic the privilege of com-
muning with us. In fact I held a protracted meeting of
8 days with my people. Great multitudes assembled from
different part of the nation. We hope the principle
chief gave his heart to God. I expect to commence on
after 6 of Sin & at other, also in in March to the
brethren at Fort Williams station including Rev Messrs

Walker & Ellis, who have not yet gone to their station
we expected he would then receive the chief above named to
our little church. For past he may not come alone.
Yesterday, Sabbath, after service 2 men who had been
in my room by a short time, but one more settling
seemed to be effected. One who has given similar indica-
tions for some time said he would most willingly do any
thing or do any thing if he could become a Christian.
The other said he thought he could make himself com-
fortable here in a few years, but said with emphasis
he wished above all things to become a good man. The
foremen from P & the letter from K & have been long
in the Mountains where they have practised every kind
of wickedness. Our prayers that the Lord would
convert the foreigners as fast as they settle around
us & make them helpers instead of hinderers.
Have 62 or 80 acres cultivated more or less around
me last season. Some raised from 100 to 200 bushels
of potatoes, considerable corn, peas &c. They are now
making great preparations with their hoes for next
spring. Are increasingly attentive to religious instruc-
tion. Old snow has gone, weather mild.
A most melancholy event took place last Oct
above Fort Colville, one of the Express boats which

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No 23 Percer Mission
Clear Water R. Dec 17 1838

To Mr Levi Chamberlain
Honolulu Oahu

Dear brother, I have but a few moments before my express leaves. I will you have the goodness to forward, according to address, the letters which accompany this. I have not time to write brother Parker I shall but I have given them my compliments, & told them we are making all calculations to return home to our little band in a few months. Hope we may not be disappointed & consequently deprived of their prayers, counsels, labors & themselves deprived of the great benefits which would in all probability result to their health. I know of nothing to add to what I have given in Br Hall's letter of July.

Of our late reinforcement you have probably been apprised. It consisted of Dr & Mr Walker & wife of Maine, Dr & Mr Eells & wife of Conn. Dr & Mr Smith & wife of Vt & Mrs Gray of Vt Cy. Mr Gray was attacked on his way to the States last year, by a band of Sioux, all his pedestrian companions & mules including one of my people killed, robbed of all his property, & wounded twice in the head. Was taken prisoner but the next day

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besides getting a block 32 by 22 two story, ready for the roofing. Oh how I need an much more man to assist in these matters. Now you in this country you can't know why it is indispensable to carry on farming if we'll support ourselves & benefit the Natives. For Vancouver has sustained a great loss this year in the almost total destruction of crops by the overflowing of the C R

But thanks to our Heavenly Father Short Mission & himself will be abundantly supplied, doubtless from our crops this year. All coming in well. We shall soon Provedence favoring have beef & pork so that soon we shall live within ourselves.

Please – your next give me the news of Ireland & the Sandwich Island people & pray how may have you neighbours now. What you may have lately learned of the South Sea Islands, especially of the Sand Isles, fish, birds, guano &c I hope to write more fully at some future time.

My best regards to yourself & Mrs Chamberlain in which I am joined by Mrs Spalding.

And believe me ever
Yours in Christian love A A Spalding

Mr Levi Chamberlain

Honolulu - Oahu -

Mr M. Chamberlain
Oct 10 1838
Amos Cooke

ways out of their degradation! And what means have we, then, we do not know much about the Ch. at just now, but it appears that the churches have received a new revelation on the subject of personal duty to their fellow men, and if not here and as though equal with churches at home, the same standard that Paul laid on this subject! But enough on this subject. —

I need not say to feel anxious under special obligations to you for your ~~trouble in taking charge~~ of our boxes & packages for the States & forwarding them to Fort Pierce. It may be necessary for you to repack them after accordingly to directions given in a former letter & in boxes weighing 100 lbs. that, suitable for packing & transporting so will they must be repacked at Pierce, & the gentlemen at Pierce do not like to do this. We would prefer therefore that you would do it, if boxes come unsuitable for packing, i.e. too heavy or too long or too wide, provided you can make it convenient. I cannot give you particulars in this present of time. There hands that ought to be preparing books in this language & sermons for the people are full of labor that might be done by a very convenient one that had gone with me. My wheat, peas, barley & oats are now nearly for harvesting & very soon corn & potatoes

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man will be found.

Our letters from the States are very discouraging. I hope but few more of the kind will double Cape Horn. Sometimes I shall expect more intelligence by the next vessel. The ex-profits have become so wicked & so unpunished much longer. Then sins of Slavery, licentiousness, Sabbath breaking, intemperance, oppression — the case of the poor Indian & infidelity, will become most glaring before I leave the States. Of all these sins the church, partake very extensively. At our General assembly which I attended 15 members voted in the Sabbath to consider, Prof. Miller of Princeton was one. But the scenes of that assembly the only one I ever attended, that of 1835, were much delightful & I feel sickness for man not a professor of religion said he would prefer the Cholera to an other General assembly in Pittsburgh. I see that the one of 1837 cut off as corrupt nearly all the Synods of Ohio & state south & west of Ohio. I believe the difficulty or some of it is to be referred to the Civil courts. Oh my soul weep for Zion. No wonder Christians have so little money to

spare their Missionaries. The Devil will demand large fees for pleading their cause. A other reason why we may expect the judgments of God soon to visit that nation is the long neglect of the church to do her duty to the heathen. God has commanded the church her agents to carry the gospel to every creature. But she is neglecting this duty under most aggravating circumstances. She has received at the hand God means, & money, & talent, & every facility for accomplishing her work. But the money she is squandering upon her lusts. Her men (except some of the chief professors) she keeps under her own wing under the pretence of taking care of home, as if important than all the world besides. But I must say the present state of the B S does not speak very much in favor of the faithfulness of the labourers understanding their S S's "superior talents."

As our papers have not yet arrived from Bancoora I have not seen the resolutions mentioned in several letters from the Islands, consequently cannot decide concerning them.

Of the collision with which Missionaries are often threatened on their return to the States, I am not entirely ignorant, nor of the dislike very generally among churches, to have personal duty to the

(3) heathen perishing around. I have often seen members of the church, slightly leave the house of God when their duty to the heathen was plainly & affectionately held out to them. I have seen with my own eyes, till tears stopped the sight, young men scraped down at a monthly concert, in a Theological Seminary, for attempting to speak plain on personal duty to the heathen. The President & two of the Profs of that Seminary put their veto upon their the memoirs of Gordon Hall as unfit to be spoken on the days of declaiming, because it contained sentiments on the subject of personal duty to the heathen, in of pastors, totally wrong, & awakening immense heat in the church. One said when he first read those memoirs he thought one half the ministers & elders in the church were unpromising, he was troubled for some time, but his conscience was now righted: I suppose through the interposing of a Providence. Who is the better prepared to give lessons on self denial those who have denied themselves of home, & children, & friends, & houses & lands, & gone to the ends of the earth, or those who have never thought even of turning over the leaves of a book of self-denial; And who is prepared to judge of the wants of the heathen people, if not those who dwell in their midst, witnessing their wretchedness &

W. H. Spalding 1858

{ N.Z. Press Mission
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To Mr Levi Chamberlain
Honolulu. Oahu

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Dear Brother -

Your favor of April 30 came to hand 13th inst and active for your Islands & some from Boston & some from our friends in Ohio the first we have received from any of them since our arrival in this country. Those from your family are truly refreshing to our inner spirits. Great is the goodness of God to fellow men, & wonderful indeed are the dispensations of this sovereign grace upon your Islands. But how fearful the condition of those if there be any with you who have been educated in a christian land, but can now look upon the glorious work of God with you in changing the wolf into a dove, the lion to a lamb, the stupid ignorant heathen to an enlightened, social man, & still despise Jesus Christ. Please tell, yea cry, you must shut your doors against foreigners or their children at the Isls & what is the result. How many are now upon the Isls & are there any state of families except those attached to the Mission. I have said in an other letter I need a farmer very much, if a Christ

as he fell, & she barely escaped with her children. Mrs. S. told them to be quiet, the Snakes would not shoot horses but steal them. That the woman's horse had become tired of its load & stopped. However, many asked the privilege of staying in the house as they saw the white woman had a big heart, others held their horses by the rope two or three nights ready to flee. Mrs. S. slept soundly every night without any fear. The woman's horse was found in a few days unhurt.] End of quote in Hawaiian Spectator, Oct. 1838]

Please tell me when vessels most frequently leave the Islands for the States & how many in a year usually. Should our friends at home neglect to put our effects which may come via the Islands, into boxes not weighing over 120 lbs I wish by all means you would see that they are put into such boxes. As they must be put into that shape before leaving Vancouver, as 3 portages are to be made on the men's backs between V and W W & from W W to this place they are transported on horses.

Two Catholic Priests are expected from Canada with the Oct. express from Montreal. One is to be located at Vancouver & one on the Williamette. But the Stone which was cut out of the Mountain without hands, shall fill the whole Earth. Whatever comes to us should be directed to care of Doct McLoughlin, Esq., Chief Factor of H H B Co, Fort Vancouver.

I need not say we thank you much for offering to render every possible assistance. Mrs. S. joins in her best wishes to yourself, Mrs. Chamberlain & associates in the Gospel. H. H. Spalding

me speak of God at night. And though my flesh said rest after a hard days ride of 40 or 50 miles, my soul said no, these immortal scores may never hear the name of Jesus again and who knows but the simple intelligence that a Saviour is born, may let [set?] some poor soul free. No while I have strength to hold up my head I will not cease to point, these anxious men that flock around me every night & follow me every day, to the Lamb of God, praying that as Cornelius was sanctified through the touch received on a single visit from Peter, Divine Grace would take the place of extended instruction, & break the chains of sin & superstition with which Satan has long held them in bondage, at least prepare the way for Missionaries that will come into this region of the earth, should the church by some means, soon be cast out of the ship, going down to Tarshish & return to her duty to the world, after nearly 1800 years neglect. The Pandarays ~~[illegible]~~ many hundred miles N E of this to the No. of several hundred met me at Colvile & followed me back two days to hear me talk about God at night. They turned back the 3rd morning with much regret, but the principal chief said he should come to my country next year with his boy. Several chiefs from 3 different tribes west of Colvile (mentioned in Mr. Smith's letter) followed me home & remained 2 or 3 weeks. As the Flat Head or its dialect is understood by all these tribes, I could converse easily with them through many of my people. Mrs. S. suffered no inconvenience from my absence. In the Spring there were 1 or 2000 in camp, in Aug. only 2 men with several women. I must close this with a short & somewhat musical inside. [incident?]

A few days after I left for C. in Aug., the cry was raised by the women, that the Snakes (enemies of the NZP) were in sight. Mrs. S. by the glass discovered it to be a band of wild horses, & told them to be quiet. A few nights after, a woman came crying into camp late at night, with 2 or 3 children. The Snakes came upon her not far distant, fired upon her, shot horse through. She said the blood poured from each side

20 men & 80 horses, found good travd ing & reached Fort Colvile the 5th day before night. Were treated with the greatest kindness by Mr. McDonald, the gentleman in charge, & lady, who kindly furnished me with everything I needed, & I started for home 5th Sept. with 21 horses loaded for myself & 5 for Doct Whitman, 6 young hogs packed & 2 oxen. Mrs. McD sending a large quantity of comfortables to Mrs.S. with a promise to see her next year, God willing. Mrs. McDonald, as the wives of all the Traders in this country, is a native of the country with more or less native blood.Mrs.McD has no native appearance, has spent sometime with Rev. Mr. Cochran Red R. Reads, writes & speaks the English very correctly; has a pretty family of children well governed. I reached home 12 Sept all things safe, found Mrs. S. in good health & spirits & everything pertaining to our little establishment in order. We gave thanks to God for his great kindness to us both during our separation. Fort Colvile is 200 miles W of N from this, on the south side of the Columbia 3 days below the mouth of Flat Head R & 1 day above Spokan, 100 miles above Fort Okanagan, & 300 above Fort Walla Walla. It stands on a small plain of 2000 or 3000 acres said to be the only tillable land on the C. R. above Vancouver. There are one or two [barns], a blacksmith shop, good flour mill, several houses for laborers, & good buildings for the gentleman in charge. Mr. McDonald raises this year about 3500 busls of different grains, such as wheat, peas, barley, oats, corn, buck wheat, etc., & as many potatoes, has 80 head of cattle, & 100 hogs. This post furnishes supplies of provisions for a great no. of [forts] North, South & West. We can doubtless obtain supplies here to a limited extent, but of course can not expect very extensive. My whole rout (sic) to C. was crowded with natives coming in from a great distance to see the Black Coat (Missionary) having got news of my journeying, as news move in this country upon flying horses. They would follow me for days to hear

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& animals soon learned by experience to seek the best traveling where the snow was too deep to admit the hoof to ground. The 5 day night we came to Spokan [sic] a little more than half the distance to F C. Here I met Br Gray & Mr. Ermatinger, HHB Co. Trader among the Flat Heads, & with whom he traveled the last season. They had been 8 days from #W.W.# making a journey of 4 days in good traveling. Were waiting the arrival of a Brigade from Colvile bring supplies, which had been out 11 days when I arrived, but intelligence had been received by a man on snow shoes that they had made but 1/3 the distance & were at a stand. The mountains between the Spokan & Flat Head rivers were yet to pass. My indians offered to go on snow shoes to C & bring on their backs what seeds I needed, but not willing to attempt to force their horses over the Mountains. They said & justly no doubt, they must be several days without eating in the snow & would most likely perish in the undertaking. A young Spokan at this place who has been 4 years at the Church Mission, can read & write some, speaks good English, offered me 10 bags of potatoes which I thankfully accepted, & after giving my horses 3 days to recruit, started for home, thinking it not duty to procede. Reached home 5 days with all our horses but one whose strength could not weather the wind & snow & was left to become food for wolves. Several others were nearly lost in crossing rivers which had filled their banks in my absence. But my <u>indians</u> (I believe no other men could) rescued them from the raging torrent. I believe a Fort was first built at Spokan by Astor & sold out to the H B Co. soon after & was abandoned in 1828 when the boundary line was agitated between G B & the U S. It is not yet decided I believe whether G B shall claim north of the Columbia R or the States. Probably the country is not worth one half the money & time that will be spent in talking about it.

29 of Aug I made a second attempt to reach Colvile. Started with

(#Fort Walla Walla)

harvest is white & falling into the ground. Every day brings with it new evidence that the vast number of Tribes at least on this side of the Rocky Mountains are this moment ready for Missionaries.

Our moments of weeping over the great work on our hands & our perfect inability to accomplish one hundreth part of it are almost every day broken by a stranger's voice from a distant Tribe, coming to see the man of God that has found his way into this part of the world, & to solicit Missionaries to come among the people. We have been visited by chiefs or principal men from a great number of different Tribes (see former letter to Mr. Smith) soliciting Missionaries. We have a family of 19 children from 3 different Tribes & might have as many hundred as soon as they can be brought from this & other Tribes were it possible to take care of them. But we can not think of it till by the assistance of Almighty Grace we make Missionaries & teachers of what we have got. For at present I am farmer & blacksmith, & mechanic, & physician, & book maker & minister. Mrs. S. is no less overwhelmed with care & labor. But I will stop here & give you a history of my journey to Fort Colvile. I am not certain of stating to Mr. Bingham of my last of Aug. that I made the attempt in March last but failed. At all events, I will state briefly, that on the 27 March I started for that Fort with 5 men & 20 horses, to obtain supplies of provisions & seeds. The 3rd day from home we came to Snow, the 4th came to what I called quick sand plains, mixed with pine trees & rocks. The body of snow upon the plains was interspersed with bare spots under the standing pines. For these our poor animals would plunge whenever they came near after wallowing in the snow & mud till the last nerve seemed about exhausted, naturally expecting a resting place for their struggling limbs; but were no less disappointed & discouraged doubtless than I was astonished, to see the noble creatures go down perhaps by the side of a rock or pine tree, till their bodies struck the surface. Both men

H. H. Spalding to Mr. Levi Chamberlain, Agt of ABCFM Honolulu.

C O P Y

Nez Perces Mission, Clear Water River, Oct. 12, 1837

To Mr. Livi (sic) Chamberlain)
Agt of ABCFM Honolulu)

Dear Brother

I am happy to have the pleasure of receiving your kind letter of Aug. 10 which came to hand 3rd inst., with papers etc. Your numbers added to a few at Boston, give you the advantage over me while alone. I must therefore divide my letters to the Islands into 4 parts & send a part to yourself, a part to Mr. Bingham, a part to Mr. Tinker & a part to Miss Smith. I suppose my last of Aug to Mr. Bingham & Mr. Smith will not go till this goes. To all these I must refer you for many things not given in this. I thank you for the Minutes of your last General Meeting. It does indeed give me much important information respecting your field of labor. I should be happy to receive the likes again or anything pertaining to your work. May the good work of the Lord continue to go forward in the Sand. Isles, in the hands of holy men & women who have done no more in leaving their Fathers & Homes & taking up their abode for life among polluted heathen, than they agreed most positively to do, when they entered the house of God & before men & angels, vowed to the Lord's & received his only conditions of discipleship. "Go unto all the world & preach the Gospel to every creation." * And the God of Missions in great mercy sustain the hands, few & feeble, which have purposed in the strength of God to raise the standard of the Cross on these Mountains of Everlasting snow, & these wide (wild?), barren prairies of burning sand, where wander untold thousands of the Red Man's children with hearts as barren as the plains & cold as the snows. Pray for us brethren for we are alone in the midst of an immense field, in fact we have not heard from the outskirts; we know not where are the boundaries, but from plain to plain as far as the eye can reach the

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Spalding, H. H. to Levi Chamberlain:

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3. " " 2 Dec. 17, 1838 (6 mss pp)
4. Clear Water, Oct. 7, 1839 (4 mss pp)
5. " " Jan. 9, 1840 (12 mss pp)
6. Waiilatpu, Oct. 13, 1841 (3 mss pp)
7. Sep. 16, 1843 (1 mss p)
8. Clear Water, Oct. 10, 1843 (7 mss pp)

up against the truth that "He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh; the Lord shall have them in derision". Did we constantly acknowledge & keep in mind an overruling Providence in all things, we should doubtless be less troubled than we are at what takes place in the world. We are ready to think we would often have things quite otherwise than what they are, but God is wiser than men & he may see that very thing, which we may apprehend will be for the destruction of all good, necessary in his plans for the accomplishment of his purposes of mercy. The Lord reigns & we may rejoice. He will overrule all these things for his own glory & for the advancement of his own cause & we are assured that the end will be the salvation of his saints & the utter destruction of all his enemies.

What the Catholics will do here we cannot tell as yet. Last summer one came out from St Louis & has returned it is said with the expectation of establishing a mission the coming season farther back in the country

tains among the Flatheads when all these Indians will come in contact with the establishment when they go to buffalo. He held out great encouragements to the Indians of temporal good to tempt them to abandon us & come over to him. Temporal favors are all the Indians have ever wanted & to obtain them has been their object in all their religion & in all the favors they have shown to us. Should this establishment be made doubtless many would be drawn away. & there is no religious principle to hold them back. When they can obtain the most temporal favors there they will doubtless go.

Things remain here much as when I wrote you last. Nothing of particular interest among the Indians. Mr. Smith's health is still feeble & is suffering from a spinal difficulty

With kind regards to Mrs Chamberlain I remain.

Yours very truly

A. B. Smith

per Barque Corlez.
June 25/41.

Mr Levi Chamberlain
Honolulu
Oahu

A. G. Smith
Jul. 23. 1841
per Barque Corlez
June 25 1841

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Mr Levi Chamberlain
Honolulu Oahu

Dear Bro.

Yours of July 11th /40 was duly rec'd & I thank you for the information you communicated. Letters containing accounts of what is going on in other parts of the world are very refreshing here in this distant land, so far removed from all sources of information.

The account you give of the movements of the Catholics at the Islands is truly painful. & it must give the missionaries who have toiled there so long great grief to see such enemies to God & all right coming in & spreading their errors among the lambs of the flock. But it is delightful to think when such enemies are

To the L. Chamberlain
Honolulu

Yours

My Dear Br.

a regular letter at this time
be forward as directed. I a
come again directed to me
Soon come of the barrel w

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Lonsiah April 21st. 1840

I have not time to write you
n. I send you the inclosed letter.
I will say that should a barrel
on, you need not unpack it.
would be very valuable to us
Yours very truly. A. R. Smith

of the Pope are busy every where & doubtless they will do all they can here. They can do up this work & accomplish their object much more easily than we can ours. They have no need of books or translations, nor even need they trouble themselves to learn the language. What instruction is necessary for the accomplishment of their object, they can communicate by means of an interpreter. Consequently this work can be done up in a few months, while ours is the work of years. Should the Catholics make a vigorous attempt here, there is but little doubt in my mind but that the people would at once be drawn away. A few presents would secure almost every individual. This course they can easily take. & nothing influences the people so easily as the hope of temporal gain. They are selfish in the extreme. & it is now clearly evident that the most they want of us is the temporal benefits they may derive from us. There may be a few exceptions, but this is generally true. It is the powder, blankets, knives, tobacco &c which influences this people more than any thing else.

The stories which have been told of the religious character of this people, I can assure you are but poetry & romance. It rests only in externals & shows too plainly to be misunderstood the sources from which it was derived. Hence their religion consists in the observance

of days & feasts in worship &c. They are self righteous as the Pharisees & their religion like theirs consists in tithing the mint, anise & cummin, but they are strangers to the weightier matters of the law. Thus it is extremely difficult to reach them with the truth & it seems to have little or no effect on their minds. Sometimes to be sure they rebel against it & say "it does not apply to them! they do not reject the word of God" &c.

My location probably you have already learned has been changed from Wailetpu to this place which is about 80 miles up the Clear Water River from Clear Water Stat[illegible] I spent the summer here in a mere hovel studying the language. The last of Sept. I moved here & commenced building. In a month & a half we had a very comfortable house completed & I have been able for some time past to pursue the study of the language again. The language proves to be one of the most difficult, & this together with the small number of people operates to discourage me in view of the work. The number of people is much smaller than has been heretofore supposed. Mr Rogers & myself have commenced numbering the people by little bands as we find them scattered over the country. We think we have obtained the numbers of more than half of all the Nez Perces & Flatheads already & it amounts to only 1400. The number speaking this language is probably less than 3000. What motive is there to induce the little few to form into a most difficult language? When I think of the millions in

4 other parts of the world who are sitting in darkness. I can hardly conceive why they to remain here expending my energies in attempting to give the gospel to such a small number. But Br. Hall can tell you more than I have time now to write. He knows the state of things here, & he knows my views on the subject. I will refer you to him for information.

A. B. Smith
Sam'l Chamberlain
Feb. 17 1840
Alexandria
To Editor 24/40
June 24/40
Aug. 2 Aug. 1840.

No. 217
Mon. Chamberlain
Fa. Mee

I intend to write Mr Bingham soon respecting the language. If I can get time I intend to write out a paradigm of a Nez Perces verb & send to him. I have already 14 sheets of foolscap filled with the paradigm of a single verb but this is not the whole of it. It must very probably be defective for want of knowledge of the language. With christian regards to Mrs C. I am yours truly A. B. Smith

Hamiah Dwyne Esq. Jan. 9th 1840

Mr Levi Chamberlain
Honolulu Oahu

Dear Brother.

Yours of Aug. 9/39 came to hand in due time, by which I learned that my long expected goods from the States were on the way to this place. They did not arrive here till the 4 inst. Every thing I found safe & in very good order. Nothing was injured materially notwithstanding they had been packed about 18 months. My books were generally in as good order as when I left them. A few pieces of clothing were slightly mildewed. I was happily disappointed in finding them in so good order.

In your letter you speak of the movements of the Catholics at the Islands & the influence that was beginning to be felt from that source. We in like manner have begun to feel some influence from the same source. Error has begun to be diffused among the people, tho as yet it seems not to have taken effect to any great extent. But when it will end I know not. The emissaries

A. B. Smith

Wellsboro Dec. 28th 1838

To the Chamberlain.

Dear Sir.

If you will have the kindness to take the charge of these letters & forward them as you have opportunity you will do me a favor, & whenever you have opportunity. a letter from you would be very acceptable

Very affectionately yours.

A. B. Smith

A. B. Smith
Harrisburg
Pa.

Oregon Mission (ABCFM)

Smith, Asa B. to Levi Chamberlain

1. Willitpoo, Dec. 25, 1838 (1 mss.p)
2. Kamiah, Oregon Ter'y, Jan. 17, 1840 (4 mss pp)
3. Kamiah, April 21, 1840 (1 mss p)
4. Kamiah, Feb. 23, 1841 (3 mss pp)

Copied

Fort Vancouver October 10th 1840

Dear Sir

I send in a small packet directed to you a watch belonging to Rev E. Walker which it is his wish to have repaired at the Sandwich Islands if practicable; otherwise forwarded to England through the H.B.C. agent to be repaired and returned. I understand there is watch makers on one of the Islands now.

If you can have this attended to for him you will confer a favor upon him and oblige

Your humble servant
and Brother in Christ
C. Rogers

D Chamberlain
Honolulu

The main spring of the watch is broken.

Oregon Mission (ABCFM)

C. Rogers to L. Chamberlain

Fort Vancouver, Oct. 10, 1840 (1 p.)

Ship Mary Dacre, 50 m. from mouth of Columbia,
Oct. 20th 1835.

Rev. and dear Sir,

Although I have had no personal acquaintance with you, yet I hope we are brethren in the Lord and in the work of the ministry. I am from Ithaca N.Y. formerly from Litchfield, Ms. on an appointment from the A.B.C.F.M. to explore the Oregon Territory, with reference to the condition of the Indians; their numbers, location, country, and prospects of introducing the gospel among them. I left Ithaca, March 18th came across the country by land from Council Bluffs on the Missouri river, passing the Rocky Mountains. We have had an opportunity of seeing many Indian tribes; among which for missionary stations, the most promising are the Nez Perces east of the Mountains; the Utawas near or towards Santa Fe — the Shoshones west of the mountains; the Cayuse near the confluence of Lewis and Clark's rivers; and the Walla Wallas above and about the Falls of the Columbia. Below the Falls — or below Vancouver there are but a few Indians to this place, they having within two years been almost all swept off by a malignant fever and ague.

I had an associate returning, Dr. Marcus Whitman, formerly from Cherrington, Ms. who returned from Rendezvous on Green river, one of the upper branches of the Colorado. Finding very promising prospects for establishing a mission among the Nez Perces, we thought it best for him to return with the Caravan, to his associates and return next year, with the Caravan, and enter the field which is white for the harvest. The Nez. Perces are lifting up the Macedonian cry — so also the Cayuse.

This country as to fertility of soil is good, but it suffers greatly from April to November with drought. It is far more mountainous than I expected. From the main ridge of the Rocky Mts. to this place it is a wilder of volcanic mountains. Botany and mineralogy interesting — and Ichthyology may be added. But after all, the valley of the Mississippi is the garden of America, most of the world.

You have probably heard from the United States since I left, and therefore, I can give you no news information. The death of Mr. Wisner was and will be greatly felt.

I expect to spend the winter at Fort Vancouver and in its vicinity. Will you be so good as to write me by Pelican Mail, or by any other mode of conveyance to Fort Vancouver, and give me an account of the missionary stations and excep in your islands, and all the information you can from the United Country.

I have to write to the A.B.C.F.M. and to my family before I leave this ship, commanded by Capt. Lambert, of East Cowes, and you will excuse my brevity.

In the fellowship of the gospel
I am yours,
Samuel E. Parker

Oregon Mission (ABCFM)

Parker, Samuel to Rev. H. Bingham

Ship May Dacre, Oct. 20, 1835 (1 p.)

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I have not time to write about general matters in the colony at present, I have written pretty fully to Mr Hall & must refer you to him for information on some points that you may wish for information. The body of Mr Magoun has been found & is interred about ~~two~~ mile below the McMinnville Falls -

The Temperance cause is progressing a little in the colony & also the cause of religion there has been some five or six hopeful conversions lately -

I must apologize for this short communication & beg that will excuse me for want of time -

Mrs Gray joins me in kind regards to yourself and Mr Chamberlain -

I remain yours
Truly
W. H. Gray

Wm. H. Gray
Q. Barque
arrived Sep 16 1843.
answ. Mar. 27 1844.

Levi Chamberlain Esq.
Honolulu
Oahu

Willamette July 31st 1843.

Levi Chamberlain Esq.

Dear Sir

The two Hawaiians that came to this country for to assist us in domestic affairs have concluded to return home, since last November they have been upon wages at ten dollars per month. The mission when I came to this country with them last fall instructed me to speak for a passage for them in the Cal ship. I did so but they declined going, & agreed to remain with us for three years. at $10. pr month. the price usually paid for Hawaiians in the country. They have had several stubborn fits, & four days since they told me they were going home, I suppose they will go for I shall not detain them, although we need some domestics in our family, & it puts us to considerable inconvenience at this time. They have taken the liberty to sell and give away their clothes to Indians for horses & things they had no use for, so that they will be quite destitute of clothing. I shall give them nothing, but pay what is coming to them for their passage home and allow them to dispose of the horses and things they have on hand as they please.

Copied

Fort Vancouver Nov 13th 1849

Levi Chamberlain Esq
Honolulu Oahu

My dear Sir

I forgot to request you in my last note which was put on board yesterday to send me as great a variety of garden seeds as you may think would be serviceable to us, and also flower seeds of every description with fruit tree seeds, and the sweet potatoes you spoke of. Put up into a small kettle and fill it with sand for our experiment — Please send them by the return of the Ships — and in close a box with the two boxes of glass in one box in case both do not weigh over 90 pounds — I have time in a few hours for the upper country — Kind regards to Mrs Chamberlain and family

Yours in haste and in the bonds of Christ

Wm H Gray

P.S. I too am late to sign

Send to the Mrs D —

Send to Mr Green & Co —

Levi Chamberlain
Esq.
Honolulu

Pr. Mr. Alexander Simpson —

Mr. Alexander Simpson's
to Chamberlain
Dec. 16 — 1839.
Answ. 1840

Fort Vancouver Nov 9th 1839

Lord Chamberlain Esqr
Honolulu, Oahu -

My Dear Sir

You will permit me to introduce to your kind attention and acquaintance the bearer Mr Alexander Simpson, as connected with the Honorable The Hudsons Bay Company, and from her personal acquaintance and kindness to me I am happy in commending him to your kind regards, Mr S, is a stranger in your Isles - and comes to take up his residence with you for a season, he will be able to give you the latest news we have from our esteemed Mr Hall and wife and from this Fort -

Yours Truly -

Wm H. Gray

the wilds of Oregon. Mr H. is now drawing to the close of his ninth month and seems to be increasing in strength, they will most probably be able to embark in the winter or early in the spring on their return. Though we dislike the idea of parting with them yet we know that you have great claims upon them for we can have, so we will try to return them to you with the blessing of God improved in bodily health.

Mrs Gray is now at Clear Water on the north joins me in kind regards to Mr. C. and the sister and family and all dear friends at the Islands.

I am now preparing to spend the winter at a place about 20 miles above this post on the Columbia River whether it will be thought advisable or not to occupy it as a station in future is uncertain, I shall make an effort to gain a knowledge of the language and commence a school as soon as possible, but schools seem now to be our only hope of doing any thing for the native the adults are learning more and become hardened and the life intent in destroying to death. The interest in agriculture permits invariably increasing throughout the country.

I forward to your care a small packet of letters which you will add to favors already bestowed, by forwarding to their several destinations in opportunity offers.

I will make arrangements with Mr Hall about sending to me a small quantity of wood for furniture such as Cedar or Pine perhaps if you can conveniently receive it before the arri

If may come to me by the wagon that returns from
Jonesville the boards to be one inch thick 8 feet 7 inches long
the floor 8 or 10 inches wide and six by the side and 16 the
other length 14 or 16 inches wide, put up in a strong box rather
they cannot be split to pieces in coming up the C. River
If they are good secure all the lots of wool and the goods
and I will return the favor to you on otherwise as you direct
and I will return the favor to you on otherwise as you direct

I remain my dear Sir yours
in christian regards —

William H. Gray

Levi Chamberlain Esq.

P.S. Pleas send out by the Ocos. Ship
2 boxes 7 by 9 window glass
1 dozen Earthen bowls = 8
and Oblige yours

W. H. Gray

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Levi Chamberlain Esq.
Honolulu Oahu
Sandwich Isl.

Wm. Hughes
Honolulu
Oct 16 1839.

Wm. Hughes Esq
Honolulu
Oct 28

Waialua Oct 28th 1859.

Levi Chamberlain Esq.
Agent of the A.B.C.F.M.
Honolulu Oahu S.I.

My Dear Sir

I cannot expect to give you any news respecting our little location more than you have made Mr Hall for your correspondent in his country, and he has abundance of time and the power of giving you all that would be interesting to know respecting our situation. You will permit me to express my gratitude to you for your kindness in giving to us through Mr Hall so many particulars respecting your situation as you have. I do not know that I have yet acknowledged the receipt of your letter by Mr Hall I will not ask you to devote your time to writing to me personally so long as you give to Mr H. as full letters as you do, yet I shall be happy the blessing of God be granted to return room to your enclosure I hope you will not forget us, and let us hear from you as often as time & opportunities. Mrs Hall's health is good. My little Hope when she arrived and our hope are very deep that to great Sion and our Mrs in the prosperity of a fine healthy son and a healthy happy mother and little Hope be enabled to bid them God speed. you look to your field of usefulness in the strong cause of Christian affection. My heart warms by their kind disposition in

Levi Chamberlain, Esq.
Honolulu — Oahu —

Mr. Ely

Mr. Ely
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Oct. 10 1838 —
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Honolulu Oct 1839

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Koorkoos Rio Rio Sept 23rd 1850

Mr Levi Chamberlain
Honolulu S. Islands

Dear Sir -

You will add to the favors already conferred on your unworthy friend and Brother in Christ by forwarding so far as practicable the letters enclosed by your aforementioned different points of destination - and oblige your unworthy friend &c -

W. H. Gray

P.S. Please forward all letters and packages good enough receiving for me to the Missionary Station Koorkoos Rio Care of James Douglas Esq Vancouver Mrs Gray joins in Love to Mrs Chamberlain and your associates in the Mission - Yours

W. H. Gray

Oregon Mission (ABCFM)

Gray, Wm. H. to Levi Chamberlain:

1. Kooskoos ? Riv Sept. 23, 1838
2. WallaWalla, Oct. 28, 1839
3. Fort Vancouver, Nov. 9, 1839
4. Fort Vancouver, Nov. 13, 1839
5. Willamette, July 31, 1843

cover before any change be effected, and then ~~they~~ most likely they will be forwarded to Walla Walla without being disturbed, where each member of the mission can see that such a disposition be made as he shall choose.

The Hudson Bay Co. prefer that our ordinary annual supplies be obtained at Vancouver, and I am decidedly in favor of doing so, and ~~therefore~~ shall expect little, or nothing from the Stes except it may be a few presents from friends, and books, and pamphlets from the Board. Should you observe any box, or bale directed to one in an unsafe condition I shall return it a great favor if you will endeavor to secure it in such a manner, as you in your wisdom shall think best. Let not the weight or bulk of any piece give you any trouble.

You will hardly expect me to write much respecting our progress in missionary labor when I say that we have not yet spent ten months among this people, and during this have had almost every thing of a secular nature to attend to of which you can conceive. However we have been enabled to obtain a very little knowl-

edge of the language, and to communicate a few gospel truths. Recently we have commenced teaching the children. A commendable interest is manifested, though it is probable that much of it should be attributed to the novelty of the exercise.

A Popish Priest has had access to a portion of our people. He has spared no pains to alienate their minds, and has said so much that I have thought it may rather turn to our account. Respecting him we have made but few inquiries, and no remarks.

I often feel that we are as lambs in the midst of wolves,, and with Jehoshaphat to us as a munition of rocks we shall become an easy prey.

I ought in the proper place to have said that we have by the latest intelligence most of the boxes directed to me were on the way from Vancouver to Walla Walla. I hope to get them in the spring, which will complete two years since they were packed for shipping. You may well suppose that in our destitute condition they will be very acceptable.

With sincere, and hearty thanks for your kindness as expressed both in word, and deed believe me truly and affectionately your fellow

Cushing Eells
Dec. 23 1839
Ft. Columbia

June 24 1840 –
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Mr Levi Chamberlain
Honolulu Sand Isl.ds

Dear Brother

Your favor bearing date Aug 2--59 was received on the 26 of Oct. I would most willingly have - [redacted] so much trouble as the packing of eight, or ten boxes must have occasioned.. It was a great mistake that I was not seasonably informed that no single package for this mission should exceed a given weight. I think it may be a mistake also that or rather improper that Mr Spalding's request respecting repacking at the Islands should have extended to all boxes whether they were addressed to himself, or to other members of the mission

My opinion is that the best policy would require that supplies for the Mission should be so put up at Boston as not to need any change till brought to the station to which they may be directed. But if this should fail of being done, unless they are evidently by receiving injury, I think as you suggest for that they should be brought to Oahu

Oregon Mission (ABCFM)

Eells, Cushing to Levi Chamberlain

Chimakine, Dec. 23, 1839 (3 mss pages)

Copy of a letter from Dr. I.L.Babcock,
Willamette, Ore.
to Mr. Amos S.Cooke, Honolulu, Oahu, S.I.

Walamet, July 16th, 1844

My Dear Bro. Cook

You will excuse me if I do not write you a lengthy letter at this time as I have much to do about these days. We had a pleasant passage of twenty days from Sand Island and arrived in safety to our field of labour, and found our friends mostly in good health. Since the arrival of our new Supt. nearly all our business of a secular character has been given up and the laymen discharged from the service of the Mission. Most however will remain in the country as settlers. Bro. Leslie is married to Bro. Olleys widow, and is in good health. May is at home. Mr. Hones remains at the Falls of the W. Bro. Waller is going home to the U.S.S. I think I shall leave this fall or next although everything is uncertain. I still remain in the Mission as physician, but expect to be released soon. Mrs. Babcock unites with me in kind regards to Mrs. Cook and the little ones. Please write all the news by the return vessel.

I am Dear Sir,
Very Respectfully yours,

I.L.Babcock

desire and though some are leaving and have left this field alleging that nothing can be done for the Indians, yet we think something has been done already and we know that there is room enough for all that have lived here to labour and there is an interesting settlement of whites and half-breeds growing up around us, some of whom though very much addicted to vice have been brought to embrace the gospel and to experience its saving power. Whatever evils we have to contend with here, we have not the evil of drunkenness to contend with as you have. We have nearly succeeded, yea we have quite succeeded at least for the present, in keeping out the means of drunkenness from the reach of those who would drink and in the absence of rum, many of them have signed the pledge of total abstinence, from all that intoxicates and some we trust are truly converted. I must close; love to all; write every opportunity and may the Lord bless you and us in all our endeavors to propagate his truth and take all the praise of the good that is done for He alone doeth it. I remain as ever,

Yours, L. H. Judson.

of the operations of the new system of political affairs in the Islands. I hope they will not prove an injury to you or to your work and to the people. I am aware of the manner in which the colonies and dependencies of Great Britian have suffered in many cases. The management of such foreign affairs is too often committed to men entirely unworthy of such a trust consequently there are many abuses under which the people suffer in many cases which no doubt would not be suffered in any part of the English kingdom at home, but we will hope for the best. I was very sorry that you did not procure me a Hawaiian and wife to come and assist us in our domestic affairs. We can get plenty of Indian boys to come and live with us but they are not such help as we need, especially if our families are sick and Indian girls we cannot get unless we take them at an age so young that they afford us no help and even then when they grow up they very frequently run away. I confess that there has been too much disregard of the spiritual interests of the Hawaiians in this country I have felt it and deplored it but I see no other way to remedy the evil except to get a sufficient share of those who are worthy to be employed as instructors of their brethren to come to thiscountry and then when they are here to afford them every reasonable facility for meeting their own people for public worship as often as every sabbath. Such facilities have been furnished at that department of the Mission of which I have charge viz. the Mission Mills at which I have had three Hawaiians constantly and sometimes four or five, including the ones which I have had as domestics in my family. I know not how we shall in future be provided with domestic help. My domestic afflictions still continuing. I shall not renew my request to you to procure a married Hawaiian with his wife to come here as you raised some objections thereunto but shall trust the future in the hands of God believing that whatever privations I am called to endure after making all due efforts to present them shall be over-ruled to our good. I can with pleasure, state to you that though our success among the Indians is far less than what we might

Copy of a letter from Mr. L. H. Judson,
Wallamette, Ore.
To Mr. Amos S. Cooke, Honolulu, Oahu.

Ft. Vancouver, Aug. 6th, 1843.

Dear Bro. Cooke

I received your letter written in April last in which you inform us of the affliction of Mrs. Cooke in the loss of her eye and sundry other matters relative to your state. We sincerely sympathise with you in the affliction of your companion and especially with Mrs. C. who is thus deprived at least in part, o f her ability to labour in your work of striving to eleviate the condition of the natives around you. We too have had and still have our share of affliction. Mrs. Judson still suffers under disease, a disease or rather a complication of diseases which without doubt unless she can get relief soon will certainly and perhaps ere long, terminate her earthly existence. She is at present very feeble, unable to help herself to or from the bed having lost the power to use her feet or to walk or even to turn herself in bed without assistance. The remainder of our family are well. You have doubtless heard of the awful and affecting Providences which occured in this country last winter. First the death of Bro. Olly by drowning on the 10 of Dec. 1842 and secondly the awful catastrophe by which six human being made the frightful plunge down the falls of the Wallamette and perished in the foaming abyss below. Bro. and Sister Rogers and little Aurelia Leslie were among the lost. It is painful to reflect upon the melancholy occurrence but it is pleasing to consider that the three above named were doubtless soon as the struggles of death were o'er forever at rest from their labours in the abode of the redeemed above. Only three of the bodies viz. Esqr. Crocker one who was in the same canoe with Bro. Rogers and family, also Bro. Rogers and one indian, the others probably will never more be seen till the sea shall give up the dead which are in it. We suppose that by this time you have tried something

We would introduce Bro. Whitcomb to our friends at Honolulu as a pious devoted brother in the kingdom and patience of Jesus and would commend him and his family to your affectionate sympathy and christian love and should you contract an acquaintance with him may it be one formed upon the firm basis of union by the blood of Christ, a union that shall continue when worlds shall be dissolved. We send you a few dried berries which though they are the only natural production of fruits in Oregon yet are of various kinds and very numerous. Those which we send are whortle berries. Please accept them as the best native product of this country which we have at hand now to send you. We send you also a few hazel nuts or filberts which grow in a bundance here. Please remember our love to all the Missionaries at Honolulu and elsewhere and write every opportunity and believe me ever your Brother in the fellowship of the gospel of the Son of God.

Yours affectionately

L. H. Judson

perhaps fifteen men or more, Americans and Europeans, who have professed religion in the settlement but out of that number perhaps not more than six can be found who maintain even the form of godliness and some perhaps of these are nearly down by the "cold streams of Babylon" Catholicism has a strong hold here; all the French part of the population which amounts to more than half of the inhabitants of Oregon, are Papists by birth and education and inheriting from their ancestors all the ignorance and superstition uniformly found in the Roman Catholic church, they are mostly inaccessible to us. Bro. Lee and his companions succeeded (before he went to the States after the last reinforcement) in gaining a considerable religious influence over some of them, but there was at that time no priest residing in or visiting Oregon. While Bro. Lee was gone to the United States there came two of the gentlemen clergy; liege subjects of His Holiness? the Pope, and took up their abode in this territory and they immediately succeeded in making those Frenchmen who had attended our people's meetings verily believe that they would be sent to Hell unless they renounced all connection and fellowship with us Hereticks and consequently they forsook us and genuine religion together for the mummeries of a fallen church who may justly be called "the Mother of Harlots". I do feel that the Missionary work is the work of God and though obstacle may oppose yet all shall end in the final triumph of the Redeemers Kingdom and influence in all the earth. May the Lord hasten the time Amen. Brother I.L.Whitcomb to whose care I commit this letter leaves us a few days hence for the States. He has been an active labourer in the temporalities of the Oregon Mission as farmer for two years as hired by Bro. Lee and subsequently till his health failed he laboured in the same department by the appointment of our Missionary Board. His connection with the Mission is now disolved in consequence of the failure of his health being no longer able to sustain the relation of farmer to the Oregon Mission.

Copy of a letter from L. H. Judson,
Wallamette, Oregon
to Mr. A. S. Cooke, Honolulu, Oahu,
Sandwich Islands.

Wallamette, Oregon Ty. Aug. 12th 1842.

Dear Bro. Cooke

I gladly sieze a few moments really tearing myself away from numerous and pressing labours to write to a friend whose memory is endeared to my heart by many pleasing associations. I hope Dear Bro. Cooke that I shall ever remember with gratitude the kindness we experienced in our entertainment at your house during our short stay at Honolulu. My family are through the blessing of our Heavenly Father, all alive and all but one in comfortable health. Mrs. Judson is now very feeble indeed and in reference to the future termination of her sickness we are now trembling between fear and hope. She enjoyed tolerable health after her recovery from the attack with which she was siezed while at your house until last April when we received an addition to our little family of a son. Since which time Mrs. J. has been afflicted with a complication of diseases which have reduced her so low that she is at present unable to walk at all without assistance, and but very little any way. I am glad however to say that to us the consolation of the religion of Christ are our support in this deep affliction and that both of us especially Mrs. Judson, are enabled through grace to trust in the Lord and feel a resignation to his will. It is a general time of health at present so far as I know with nearly all the members of the Mission. I have been much pleased to receive from you tokens of an affectionate remembrance in the form of epistles and I hope you will pardon me for not writing oftener to you and be assured that our silence is not caused by any diminishing of affection on our part.
We cannot speak of as much spiritual prosperity as would be desirable. At present there is a falling away among those who a few months since were professors of religion among the inhabitants of Oregon. There have been

prospects among the Natives are not as favorable as we desire but we yet hope to do something for them.

Bro. Judson's family are in deep affliction. Sister Judson has not walked a step for more than a year. The other families are in tolerable health.

I might have written you much more but time would not allow, as I wish to write some to my friends in the States.

My love to Bro. Castle. Peace be with you all and all grace abound in your hearts. Fare ye well, so be it, so may it ever be, Amen.

and Esqr. Crocker have been found a short time since and intered by the side of each other. One of the indians was also found and taken by his people. The others have not yet been found. I rejoice at your prosperity in your school. I pray that your enterprise may fully succeed. The Lord abundantly bless you and yours, with the children under your care. May they grow up to bless their nation. I think the decided stand of those in authority in Temperance measures is a favorable omen. Let temperence principles prevail, and religion will follow in the wake, only so we keep steady to our purpose. I have little hope of this or any land where intoxicating drinks are in full and constant use. In reference to your children or those under your care, you have only to do your duty and leave the result with the Lord, who will not let your labors be in vain.

The course of the English in reference to the Islands is disgusting, but the Lord may override all for the best. Let us still abide in him, and all will come out right. Be of good courage my Brother, toil on. O let us labor till in heaven we rest! The Lord comfort Dear Sister Cooke in her afflictions! As to myself and family, my own health is very good, but Mrs Waller is nearly worn out with hard word and care. We seldom eat alone, so many are coming and going. It makes hard work for a woman. Our children are in good health, but we need an opportunity to educate them. I am yours in changeless affection.

A. F. Waller

P. S. We are yet trying to toil on in our Missionary operations, but we have need of much grace and patience. Some of our people are becoming disheartened and leave for home, viz. Bros. D. Lee and Frost. You will see them probably. Dr. Babcock visits the Islands for the health of his family, probably will return. Bro. Hines talks of leaving next spring. I have little sympathy for runaway Missionaries, possibly too little as I may wish to run thereafter, but my mind must undergo a great change first. Our

selves here, as are also the papists, but our trust is not in an arm of flesh. We hope yet to see the triumph of truth over error or rational christianity over superstition. We have recently had a very gracious revival of religion at a camp meeting on the Trokallatty plains, about twentyfive miles from this place. A general seriousness rests on the minds of the people. Some of the most hardened have been converted from the error of their ways. The Temperance cause is also gaining ground among us. We meet in Sept. next to organize a Territorial or Oregon Temperance Society. Dr. White came over the mountains last fall as Sub-Agent of Indian affairs west of the Rocky Mts. Quite a large party came over with him but not generally very well calculated to make wholesome citizens. Near half of them left this last spring for California and we do not realize any disadvantage in their leaving. Some of those who remain are very respectable. Quite a party has just arrived in this country from California with cattle and sheep probably fifteen hundred head in all, so that this country is filling up with stock. Dr. White has in some respects done very well since his return to this country, but he is Dr. White yet, and not very popular generally speaking.

We have had some sad catastrophies during the past winter. In Dec. Bro. Olly one of our carpenters was drowned in the Wallamette River in attempting to raft some logs to the sawmill. Bro. Olly was a local preacher and a good man. Also on the first day of February last Bro. Rogers (Bro. Leslie's son-in-law) and wife and Bro. Leslie's youngest child, a Laura Crocker, who came with Dr. White, and two Indians were all drowned by the canoes being driven by the current over the falls of the Wallamette. Bro. Leslie is deeply afflicted but bears his affliction as a christian. He has one little daughter left in this country. Dr. Babcock can give particulars. Bro. Rogers was an excellent man for this country, whether among whites or Indians, but he is gone, may we "be also ready". The bodies of Bro. Rogers

Copy of a letter from A. F. Waller,
Wallamette, Oregon
to Mr. Amos Cooke, Oahu, Sandwich Islands

Wallamette Falls Aug.9, '43

My very dear Brother Cooke

Your excellent letter of April 8 came safe by Bro. Leslie. I had felt some solicitude in consequence of your long delay in writing. I sometimes in heart said, has Bro. Cooke forgotten me? Has he gone home? has my communication miscarried or offended? I supposed it had miscarried. You may be assured that you are more than "less loved" for all you wrote in reference to Dr. White, nor did I wish to wound by what I wrote. All is with me as though nothing had passed between us on that subject. I am satisfied with your reasons for not writing sooner. I am very well pleased with the families who came in with Mr. Leslie, especially with Mr. and Sister Hatch: That you needed them more than we do I hardly feel free to admit. We need one hundred such families to counteract an opposite influence. You no doubt feel the loss but we feel that your loss is our gain. All those families have settled at this place and are doing very well. We have a class here, a Sabbath school and Bible Class in a prosperous state, and preparing to build a church. We have here three or four stores or trading shops, two saw mills and our planing mill which will be ready to run in a few weeks. There are between twenty and thirty buildings exclusive of the mills. The number will probably be doubled in one year, so you see we are making some improvements in this new land. Dr. Babcock by whom I forward this can give you further particulars in reference to the country.

We have organized a sort of government for our own convenience, and to regulate matters among ourselves, subject however to the home government whenever she shall extend her jurisdiction over this country, which we hope will be soon. The H. Bay Co. are yet striving to strengthen them-

Mission is every hour increasing in interest and importance. I hope you are prospering in your work in every department thereof. I should be glad to have you forward me some Hawaiian Bibles, testament hymns, tracts, etc. The condition of the Hawaiians in this country is deplorable. Those in the Company's service know no sabbath. They work as busily on Sabbath as any other day. Those among us have meetings among themselves every Sabbath, some of them are no doubt pious, but they all need books,etc. I have thought seriously of attempting to learn their language, that I might communicate with them on the things which pertain to salvation. Should you forward me some books, please write me on what terms whether for free distribution or otherwise.

The papists are trying to gain an ascending over them here. The devil Mr. Cooke, is not dead yet, but let us oppose him to the utmost. I thank you for the map of the Islands, and herewith forward you a copy of our quarterly review the last we have out. Your communications from the yearly meeting came duly to hand, and we have through (torn) J.Lee, responded at the earliest opportunity since our yearly meeting. In that you will learn more of our circumstances. I hope your school yet prospers. Peace be with you. Love to your associates in toil. My wife unites in love to Sister Cooke. I write in haste as the Brig soon sails and I have yet to write for the States. As ever yours in Missionary toil.

A. F. Waller.

Mr. A. S. Cooke

Copy of a letter from A. F. Waller, Wallamette, Ore.
to Mr. Amos S. Cooke, Honolulu, Oahu.

Wallamette Falls August, 25, 1842

Dear Bro. Cooke

I wrote you by the Company's vessel last fall but have received no reply. We are all in better health thus far this season than last. Sister Lee however, the wife of our Superintendent, died last spring or winter, leaving a daughter about three weeks old. Sister Judson is very low at present, probably will not long survive. We are trying to prosecute our work as well as we can but are not able to report much progress. Our school house for our native school is in a state of advance, hope to have it ready at least in part by winter. I have at my station, a small meeting house raised, for the natives, shall providence allowing, have it inclosed soon. I am not able to say that any of the Indians are yet converted, though some of them are quite attentive to meeting and to the words. But they are heathens. The influence of the seamen this season has been very deleterious. The papists are yet opposing, and all combined render my labor an uphill business, but I am not discouraged.
In the thought of omnipotence, I propose to toil on. Our Brethren at Wascopam have a meeting house for the natives. Some few have been converted at that station the past season, but the Indians are a hard material to operate upon. They are ignorant, superstitious and hypocritical or deceitful. Some of them will pray one minute and steal the next. But ours is not the work of a day or year, so we must cast our bread upon the waters in hope. Some of our brethren are leaving this season. You will see them, probably at your place as they are on board for the Islands, thence home. At least some of them. Bro. Leslie to provide for his children. Bro. Whitcomb for the improvement of his health, Dr. Richmond is somewhat discouraged so our number diminishes, though our work increases. I believe our

little more to say than by way of encouragement in our work. That we must meet in this and in your field, strong and continued opposition from papal influence is what we may calculate upon and prepare ourselves in the strength of grace accordingly, but let us meet them in the spirit of Christ, with the sword of truth, and God will say to them this far shall thou go and no farther. We shall need much patience with their insolence and high claims for succession from the Apostles, but we must not yield the point to their false dogmas. My respects to your Brethren at the Islands. My wife unites in love to all, to yourself and Sister Cook, peace be with you and prosperity attend you Amen, so may it ever be. Farewell, in undiminished love,

Yours,

A. F. Waller

P. S. There is a Milling company formed for erecting mills at the Wallamette Falls. There probably have not been less than twenty thousand bushels of wheat and other grain raised in Oregon this season if not thirty thousand in all. Our Mission could forward salmon sufficient to purchase our groceries had we an opportunity to send, fifty or a hundred bbls might have been provided but there was no vessel that we could get them on board of. The H.B.Co. has probably taken 10,000 or 12,000 bushel of wheat this fall. If navigation opens suitably, much grain or flour may be exported from here to the Islands in a few years, but the Company seems determined to monopolize the whole of this business.

Bro. Judson is at our Main Station overseeing and attending to our saw, and grist mills preparing his shop,etc.

I did not think of giving you but one sheet when I commenced but you have the two such as they are. I do not know as you will be able to decipher my scribbling as I have done it in haste and probably with less care than I should have, but as it is you have it.

filth and indescribable uncleanness in almost every respect, and you have the materials upon which we have to operate. But yet for these Christ died and the power of his gospel can raise them to kinship with him to an uncorruptable inheritance. Feeling this work is of God, we may allow ourselves to be employed as instruments however feeble in his cause that the glory may be of him and not of us. I rejoice in your prosperity in your school. May the Lord prosper you more and more! Also in your general prosperity and unanimity, yes on! Your laws in reference to all the children attending school are excellent. May they ever continue in full force. Catholicism can never bear the light nor live where knowledge is increasing, and the gospel is preached in its purity. We must operate in this manner extensively in this field in order to succeed. The relation of our fields to each other, and the commercial intercourse which will be opened between them are subjects every way worthy our attention and should not be lost sight of. The visit of our exploring squadron was to us very agreeable. We found the gentlemen all that you recommended them to be. Their expedition will no doubt confer honor on themselves and on our nation. The loss of the "Peacock" was an afflictive event in their history, but providentially no lives were lost. We shared in the calamity by the loss of several hundred dollars worth of goods and some letters.

You have my hearty thanks for your advice in reference to my school. I hope to succeed. Also for the map of the Islands. We had our yearly meeting on the first of May last but by reason of the ill health of my family I was unable to attend. On the 5 of May we were also blessed with the addition of a daughter to our family which is yet spared to us in good health, increasing our responsibility and obligation. As it is now a quarter past eleven o'clock I will bid you good evening and retire.

Dec. 1 6 o'clock A. M. Having arisen and attended to some few duties I bid you good morning to complete this hasty communication in which I have

discouraging, yet I continue my efforts trusting in God with some occasional signs of success, then again a shade comes over the whole, yet I toil on hoping for victory in the end in the name of Christ. I have not yet commenced my school nor have I a house suitable for the purpose. I am preparing to commence an house soon. Our present prospects are rather discouraging. We have had some sickness among us some are disheartened, some talk of leaving the work and others I believe are making arrangements to leave, while others toil on determined on success in the strength of God. There is work enough in Oregon for four times the number of Missionaries and teachers now employed. That God will have a church in Oregon I have no doubt. I put the work more and more important and wish to be so released from temporal cares and responsibilities as to be fully devoted in my ministerial duties, for up to this time I have been necessitated to take charge of the business part of this station when many of our goods are deposited, thence forwarded to our main station, but I hope to be relieved and go about my more proper work in full. Settlers are increasing in Oregon both from the States and the British dominions, among whom we are trying to plant and water the word of life. We shall have much to do in this respect as the population increases. The native population is constantly on the decrease and unless God interposes scarcely a remnant will be left in after years to give information of the multitudes who once covered the rich vales of the beautiful rivers of Oregon. It is exceedingly difficult to get them to understand the object of our being among them, like the ancient jews, they seem to look more for the temporal than the spiritual good. They seem to think that man the best who gives them the most especially if he enlarge his presents so as to indulge them in their habits of laziness and gambling. They are the greatest gamblers I ever saw. They will part with the last shirt or blanket on a game or race and sometimes gamble themselves away. Add to this their

called to meet my doings at another tribunal than man's. As to "republicanism" we acted as the rules of our church direct in such cases, as you will see by examining (if you have not the Discipline of our Church please inform me in your next and I will present you a copy.) As to the "Redeemers cause being by the exclusion of an offending member, I shall probably differ from some in opinion. Though the act may be unpleasant and even painful, yet I am of the opinion that the continuing such an one in the church without contrition or amendment would inflict a deeper wound than an expulsion. At least I so understand the Apostles doctrine on this subject. That some will take up in behalf of the excommunicated, to his, theirs, and the churches injury, has generally been the case, and will probably continue to be. I think that if you and your brethren had exercised the discretion of the Roman Governor, Acts 23 ch. 34 & 35 v. and 25 Ch. 16 v. you would not have so readily passed, or sat in judgement on our proceedings, upon the Br's representations and comments, none of us being present to answer for "ourselves". But here I will try to exercise that "charity" of which you speak. I will now dismiss this subject by simply stating that I believe my brethren associated with me acted as candidly in the case as myself. We were all deeply afflicted. We acted and the result of our doings is before the church and the world to be applauded or condemned. Whoever condemns we hope will at least condescend to so much as allow us the of sincerity. With you I have yet an interest in the salvation of a sinkin g world, and especially of the heathen by whom I am surrounded, but as yet I see little indication of good. I had quietly labored about eight months at my station with some evident prospect of success, when the tide of papal influence came against me. Two priests spent in all, at one time, I believe, about five weeks with my Indians, since which one of them has renewed his visits, producing a division and laboring to excite them against me and my proceedings. All which is affliction and

Copy of a letter from Rev. A. F. Waller,
Wallamette, Oregon
to Mr. Amos S. Cooke, Honolulu, Oahu, S. I.

Wallamette Falls, Nov. 30, 1841

Dear Bro. Cooke

Yours of March 15 came duly and acceptably to hand, and should have been earlier replied to, but a constant pressure of business has prevented, probably however had I been as careful of time as the nature of my relation to eternity demands, I should have redeemed sufficient to have written you, but when night has come I have felt so wearied with the trials of the day that I have had no spirit to write. Nor are my circumstances materially changed at present but I will try to scribble you a few lines after the labor of another day. I have just reread your letter which has, as at the first, refreshed my spirits and encouraged my heart. To some parts of it I shall try to reply. And as to Dr. W-'s case, it was as unpleasant to me to inform you as to you to learn of the unhappy affair, yet I deemed it proper to do as I did. Your regret on the occasion can never exceed mine or those associated with me in this Mission. Had you been on the spot and as well acquainted with the circumstances as we were I think you would have been less severe in your censures on our doings, if you had not done precisely as we did. As to others being "provoked" or tinctured with envy" I am not able or willing to say, I only know for myself. I am not now, nor was I then, conceiving of being "provoked or tinctured with envy". I never wished the Dr. the least harm nor do I at present. I acted in the affair as I believed my duty to God, an injured church and an offending brother required. If I erred it was an error of the head and not of the heart. I have not to this moment seen the time when I could not receive Dr. White with all the affection which the nature of christianity requires, could I see on his part that humility which the gospel inculcates. Here I rest till

I like much what you have written respecting union; I fear we have not enough of it here yet I am not without hope that our brethren will get into a more systematic method of managing another year. Sickness and the business of getting up our goods has greatly hindered that attention to the wants of our degraded brethren around us. I mean their intellectual and spiritual wants which they so much need. I am thankful indeed to get a little of their language and be able to converse with them. Few of those here I fear, understand aright anything of their relation to God their Maker. How great indeed as you remark, is our responsibility in view of the advantages bestowed upon us.

I rejoice in the prospect of usefulness which is before you. May your ardour be undiminished and grace be proportionate to your day and trial. I hope you will write me at every opportunity. You will now know where to direct and I shall hope to receive sooner. With love to you and all who may inquire, believe me affectionately your sister,

A. J. Olley

July after having removed into another house, I left my brothers family and accompanied Mr. Olley to take up our summer residence in a tent for the purpose of assisting to forward the building of a saw mill, then commencing; distance 8 or 10 miles from the Mission. The location was pleasant and the breeze invigorating and being supplied with necessaries I spent an agreeable month at that place, at the expiration of which I was called by my sister's illness to return home. I found her suffering rather severely from ague and fever; medicine however soon after my return, relieved her and she began to attend a little to her family affairs; when my brother was taken with a remittent fever, which continued to rise until he was brought quite low; also with many dangerous symptoms in the absence of our physician, gave us much anxiety for some weeks; after which his recovery was slow, and attended with several relapses. Throughout the whole, his wife was his almost constant attendant, watching by night and by day. I was unable to assist her much by reason of my own illness which though short was severe and quite prostrated me. Mr. Olley also being ill at the same time, we could comfort each other but very little by our kind offices. After our recovery from the fever, which has been prevalent this season, we were subject to frequent symptoms and slight attacks of ague and fever which prevented the full recovery of our strength until the autumnal rain cleared away the dense cloud of smoke which continually hovered or rather settled around this location. It is considered decidedly unhealthy and will probably be changed a no great distance of time. But notwithstanding our general sickness, but one death has occurred among us, the eldest of the three sons of Sister Parish our nearest neighbour, has gone and left his vacant place for the sorrowing parents to fill with their sighs and fond regrets. Sister Judson's health is now quite good and all are enjoying general health with two exceptions, Sister Hinns and Sister Campbell.

until morning as it was 10 o'clock and no probability appeared of all going through very comfortably. When I came up what was my anxiety to find that from the company were missing my brother and sister and nobody could tell what had become of them. As it was thought very possible they had mistaken their way, a boy was sent back to take another route to the Mission, and Mr. Whitcomb immediately pressed on in the one which we had followed and we were assured by Dr. White who remained with us, that we might be certain of their safety. I succeeded after a while in dismissing my fears and slept with our sisters on the floor of the truly hospitable family who entertained us, and supplied us with all the necessaries in their power. After partaking of a plentiful and wholesome breakfast on the morning of the 7th of June, being Sabbath, we again set off and all arrived safely at this place about 12 o'clock, where we found Sister Judson who though considered by all by far the most unable at starting, had accomplished the journey with her husband; & Bro.Whitcomb who overtook them at some distance forward, after leaving us at our stopping place. The bright shining moon made the riding pleasant though the air was chilling and they reached the Mission house in safety between 1 & 2 o'clock A. M. Her health was then and continued for some time after, to be improving. Thus I have endeavored briefly to give you an idea of our first attempt at traveling along the river and through the forests and prairies of Oregon, and I must ask your forgiveness and indulgence for the tediousness which may have accompanied my narration. After enjoying the hospitality of our brethren for a few days, we (Sister and myself) took advantage of a vacant house and then and there commenced to cook for our own families, a luxury which we had long been deprived of. We did not however, get into anything like a settled condition for months afterwards and were obliged besides depending almost entirely upon borrowing, to live as one family for want of the necessary articles for domestic use. About the middle of

Copy of a letter from Mrs. Olley, Wallamette, Ore.
to Mrs. Amos S. Cooke, Honolulu, Oahu, S.I.

Willamette Mission Station,
Nov. 21, 1840.

Dear Sister Cooke:

Your very acceptable letter of July 13th for which I now sit down to thank you, did not reach me until yesterday, probably through want of definite directions, as I recollect mine to you was sent from Columbia river before we had knowledge of our respective station. We arrived at Ft. Vancouver in the first day of June, soon received our appointments and myself with many others destined for Willamette, were the first sent off to find our way into the interior 60 miles from Vancouver. We had a pleasant voyage up this river in our canoes, 6 in number, (very different from what I had anticipated) and I felt as safe in a frail canoe upon a broad river as if danger could not possibly come near us. We encamped out one night, pitched our two little tents and took our meals from a mat spread on the ground, and slept quietly except Sister Judson whose imagination was too much alive to the strangeness of our situation, to sleep much. She feared the worms on the ground and the Indians in our neighborhood, but notwithstanding her fears, which were probably the effect of nervousness and excitement through debility of fatigue we all arose refreshed and pursued our journey until we arrived about 7 P.M. at our final landing place, a distance from 12 to 13 miles from the Mission house. Here we found horses in waiting, but the difficulty was, so to adjust matters that all our children and females whose number exceeded all anticipation, might be safely accommodated, which at last being done, we set forward, being 12 persons and 7 children on 11 horses, the sun being not one hour in heighth. After journeying with a slow progess about our distance, it was resolved by the foremost of our party to stop at a Frenchman's house

Copy of a letter from W. W. Raymond, Ft.Vancouver, Oregon.
to Mr. Amos S. Cooke, Honolulu, Oahu,S.I.

Ft. Vancouver, Dec. 11 - 1843

Dear Bro. Cooke

You will learn by the arrival of this that two more are leaving this Mission, or rather have left, and that I am at Vancouver on my way to the Wallamette. As a farmer I am not needed in this country - and for to do good otherwise it will be quite necessary for me to return to the States to complete my studies. If you think that I might be of service at the Islands, as a farmer, please inform me. Our Mission is fast diminishing, a few more to leave and all are gone - many of the large emigrations which has recently crossed the mts. have suffered much, some even six days without eating.

Mrs. R. joins in love to yourself Sister C. and little ones. The Lord bless and prosper you. So farewell for the present, in much haste, as ever

Affec'ly yours,

Wm W. Raymond

P. S. Perhaps I may have a visit from Bro. & Sis. C. next spring.

WWR.

Copy of a letter from Mr. W. W. Raymond,
Ft. George, Oregon
to Mr. Amos S. Cooke, Honolulu, Oahu.

Ft. George, Nov. 24-1843

Dear Bro. Cooke

An opportunity presenting itself, I with pleasure improve it by writing you. Two vessels probably will leave here tomorrow for the Islands, how long they may be detained in Bekins Bay I know not. The Vancouver is commanded by Capt. Brothic, the Pallas by Capt. Silvester and the third vessel which is destined on the Coast by Capt. Scarborough.

Our draught last summer was changed into fine showers of rain which saved our crops in a great measure. A large party of emigrants from the States just arrived, an increase of seven births on the way, then I believe some drowned. They must have suffered much yet I believe most of them are down as far as Wallamette, and all below the Dalles Mission.

I am now at Ft. George on my way to Wallamette. I send you a bbl. of cranberries, the only thing that I know would be a rarity to you and know not as they will. You will please give my compliments to Messrs. Paty's and ladies, with a 1/2 bushel of berries. Particular regards to Bro. Dibble and his, also with a 1/2 bushel of berries, the remainder are yours with best respects. We have here a revival of religion in the settlement among the foreigners. The most abandoned have become prayerful, pray for us. As I have much writing to do you will excuse my haste, remembering affectionately to Sis. L. and other enquiring friends. Mrs. R. joins in regards to all,

As ever,

Affectionately yours,

W. H. Raymond

the Islands for a temporal change he will visit us. Others I have no particular acquaintance with, yetlove to all. I cannot say honestly that the Indians are doing much for themselves, though others may be trying to do something for them. I am yet trying to raise grain and other provisions to keep the tenement up that others may labor more strictly for the salvation of the natives. I have had many changes since I have been in this country and what may be my next I know not. I have been in sawmills, in the store and this farm. I think there is no call for my present occupation but hope to be able to open a school for the children. As it is fast getting late you will please excuse my haste and imperfections and accept my tender regard for yourself and dear and hope never to be forgotten companion. Mrs. R. joins in the same with best wishes and ardent prayers for your success in the cause of your and our Redeemer.

Affec'tly yours

Wm. W. Raymond

P. S. Perhaps you may be able to make out my signature, but will hardly make sense of the rest for I am much confused.

Wm W. Raymond

Copy of a letter from Wm W. Raymond,
Clatsop,
Columbia River
to Mr. Amos S. Cooke, Honolulu, S. I.

Clatsop, Aug. 12- 1843

Dear Bro. Cooke

The Lord privileging me I again address you after a days hard labor. Under many obligations for your last kind epistle and for the intelligence it bore, though a portion was truly sad.
I am in usual health. Mrs. R. somewhat complaining. Our little girl quite healthy, one year old 25 last May.
Our crops were considerably injured by draught. I had been in hopes of sending you a few bbls. butter but my sudden and unexpected company caused me to delay for the present, hoping at a future opportunity to not only send a little butter but a few cranberries. Bro. Judson & family have recently come on a visit, his wife sick, and hoping she may be improved by the salt water and air. We have long expected to part with Sis.J. but the Lord saves beyond our expections. Our friends are leaving and perhaps not without just cause. Including the deceased with the discharged in the country and those returned home we have parted with 21 adults beside children, thus you see our great reinforcement will in no. soon be gone, and others feel embarrassed on acc. of ill health and the rapid demise of the natives since my last to you I think 1/3 if not a 1/6 of this clan is gone. Thus the wheels of time are rapidly hastening man to eternity. Bro. would you accept an invitation for a change a few weeks you and yours. Our lot is truly a humble one, our fare not inviting, but a change may much improve dear Sis. C. You all lie near my heart, children of our Father, hastning to our home. Can you leave your charge for a few mos. and visit us on the Col. River. Can I be of any service to you or yours or any of the dear friends who so kindly entertained us while we were at the Islands. Dear Mrs. M - the dear Messrs Paty's and ladies, and dear Bro. Dibble. I hope the next time he leaves

pecially Bros. Emerson and Locke at Waialua. Where are they that I hear not from them - I have written but no answers.

There has been much sickness in our Mission, some have gone down to and others near to the gates of death. Sister Lee has bidden us farewell and gone home. We feel the loss but somewhat are prepared to sympathize with her bereaved companion. You will learn particulars from those going to the station.

Please send for anything you wish, so farewell for this present, give love to enquiring friends and a large portion to yourself and family. Thus in much haste,

Affec'tly yours,

W. W. Raymond

Copy of a letter from W. W. Raymond,
Clatsop, Oregon
to Mr. Amos S. Cooke, Honolulu, Oahu, S.I.

Clatsop, Aug. 31-'42

Dear Bro. Cook

I am happy in being where I may have an opportunity of not only writing but sending what I write to friends tomorrow morning the "Chi_____" leaves the mouth of the Col. River and after laboring here all day, this evening I sit down to forward you a few lines.

Your last was welcomeley rec'd and faithfully answered but by some misunderstanding twice the vessels have gone before I had forwarded my communications either to the Islands or to the States.

After being in one place and another and passing through a variety of changes, I have finally and recently been stationed at this place in company with Bro. Frost. I am in general health - have been considerably afflicted with the ague. In your last you were careful to express your opinion on various subjects - please always do so for our mutual benefit. As it respects Dr. White I have nothing to say only if I did wrong I hope to be made right for God knows I would not injure anyone designedly and especially one I esteemed as much as I did the person referred to. It would be rather singular when there are differences or disturbances from whence difficulties rise, if both parties were not more or less to blame. As for the doctrine of Holiness or Sanctification you are welcome to your , so we will not continue here, suffice it to say we will by God's assisting grace to do what we can in this world, build up the Redeemers Kingdom on earth and ascribe everlasting praises to Him in heaven who has washed us and redeemed us with his blood.

I shall ever remember with deep interest you dear Bro. and family, yes and many others with whom I became acquainted at the Islands, very es-

Please pardon my haste, as I have much on hand and little time. I leave for Sister Clark to fill the vacancy. May God bless you all for your kindness, excuse imperfections and receive from your unworthy brother his christian love.

W. H. Raymond

Address Wm H. Raymond- Wallamette, O.Territory, in care Dr. M.Laughton, Ft. Vancouver.

Fort Van couver June 16, 1840

Dear Sister Cooke:

Not having time to fill a sheet, I take the liberty to drop a line in this. We are all well, rejoicing in prospect of future usefulness, thanking God that we are permitted to hail this land of darkness as our adopted home and praying that we may be fruitful and successful as laborers in the vineyard of our God. The vineyard of the Lord before his laborers lies, and lo! we see the vast reward that waits us in the skies; We are sensible that difficulties and preplexities await us, but we open our (torn) book and there we read that wisdom, strength and grace are to be given us as we need, from this we take courage and go on, remembering the declaration;"Lo I am with you". O my dear sister, if our Saviour is with us, we surely need fear no danger, Go on, my sister and while you are laboring for the youth in those distant Isles, I will endeavor to do what I can for them in this Western Wilderness, praying that we may all finally meet with many redeemed souls from these heathen shores, in the kingdom of everlasting rest.

Remember me to all the friends at Oahu, the kindness and attention we there received will never be forgotten. May the blessing of God ever attend you and yours.

Your friend in the Mission enterprise,

C. A. Clark.

(Ace A. Clark)

Copy of a letter from Mr. Wm W. Raymond and
Miss C. A. Clark, Vancouver

to Mr. Amos S. Cooke, Honolulu, Sandwich Isls.

Vancouver, June 15th, 1840

Dear Bro. Cooke:

According to promise I now inform you of our safe arrival on 1st inst. A pleasant and prosperous voyage. All arrived safe, on 22nd inst we anchored in Bekins Bay, after sailing upwards of 22,000 miles.

I have not forgotten the kindness and instruction imparted by the friends at Oahu and never shall in this world, nor in that which is to come.

I was happy while there and had that been my field of labor I could as I said before, have staid very readily and labored with you, but I remember the world is the field, and it would not be wisdom to labor in one corner, therefore I rejoice that I am in Oregon. Many things present themselves to view which are heart rending, but I find according to promise, God's grace sufficient, therefore rejoice with me in this laudable enterprise in which I am permitted to labor. May God make me useful.

Dear Bro. Shepperd has gone home. He departed this life on or about 1st Jan. last, thus we see redeemed spirits may go from Oregon to Heaven. It is said that some thousand Indians have become praying, may God bless them until the day of retribution, the Lord may have people in the Territory of Oregon, rejoice the world is to be converted and you and I are to have some humble part in carrying on this glorious enterprise. Remember me to Bro. and Sister Castle, inform them Bro.M. is well. I heard from them by Bro. Rogers, Also to Bros. Emerson & Locke, their families, remember me also to Sister Cook. Forget me not to Bro. and Sister Bishop, Mrs. R. Christian love to you all, we are well